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We are pleased to announce that Sharp HealthCare has been approved by the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) Multi-Specialty Portfolio Approval Program as a Portfolio Sponsor. Sharp HealthCare physicians who are Board Certified by one of 21 of the 24 ABMS Member Boards participating in the Portfolio Program may now receive Maintenance of Certification (MOC) Improvement in

Medical Practice (Part IV) credit for their engagement in quality improvement (QI) work. As a Portfolio Sponsor, Sharp HealthCare is granted authority to develop, monitor, and approve quality improvement projects for ABMS MOC Part IV credit.



Sharp is the first health care delivery system in San Diego, and one of very few non-academic institutions in the nation to receive this recognition.

“Committed to supporting our physicians’ involvement in both QI activities and the ABMS MOC program, participation in the Portfolio program will allow our

physicians to obtain MOC credit for participating in organizational QI and practice improvement activities part of Sharp HealthCare’s overarching mission to transform the health care experience by improving patient care as well as the clinical and experiential outcomes for its three million patients and families located throughout San Diego County. The Sharp HealthCare Continuing Medical Education Department has oversight of the new program.” says Loretta M. Thompson, MBA, CHCP, Director of Continuing Medical Education.

We are proud to say that our Safe Surgical and Procedural Experiences and Reducing Hospital Acquired DVT/VTE initiatives have recently been completed and participants will soon receive MOC credit for their participation. The results of those projects have been outstanding to say the least. The DVT/VTE initiative implemented tools and procedures utilizing the EMR to be able to monitor use of VTE prophylaxis. There were also revisions made to the VTE prophylaxis guidelines with the intent to increase the use of appropriate pharmacologic VTE prophylaxis. The Safe Surgical and Procedural Experience project has decreased the number of wrong site person/procedural surgery to zero.

The Sharp CME department would like to extend its sincerest gratitude to all those involved in launching, leading, and participating in Sharp HealthCare’s MOC Approval Program. If you are interested in launching a MOC initiative or being part of

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existing initiative, please feel free to visit our website, [www.sharp.com/moc](http://www.sharp.com/moc).

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at (858) 499-4560 or email us at [moc@sharp.com](mailto:moc@sharp.com).

## HRO at Sharp HealthCare

As part of Sharp HealthCare's commitment to high reliability, we have been training all our leaders on the skills that will help us move forward. Beginning in November, we will be offering classes to all our staff, physicians and board members as we continue our HRO commitment. The good news is we are going to be delivering training ourselves: we will be the teachers who are connecting with all of our colleagues within Sharp HealthCare. Training is recommended, not required for physicians, and involves a combination of on-line modules and an in-person workshop. If you are interested in completing the training, contact the following people at the hospital where you practice and they will give you more information:

Sharp Coronado: Sharon Amero

Sharp Chula Vista: Dolly de la Rosa-Kania

Sharp Grossmont: Deborah McDonald

Sharp Mary Birch: Stacy Robinson

Sharp Memorial: Lorrie Brower

Sharp Mesa Vista/McDonald Center: Melody White



## What's New in CME

### Welcome John Rodriguez and Adriana Rice



Sharp HealthCare CME welcomes Jeonathan Rodriguez, BA, new CME Associate. Prior to coming to Sharp HealthCare, "John" was the coordination assistant at the College of Medicine at Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science (CDU) in Los Angeles. His duties included overseeing project management across all CDU CME sponsored programs, and participating in the CME Faculty Advisory Committee as an ex-officio member. In addition, he was a member of the CDU College of Medicine Faculty Executive Board where he provided assistance to all of the subsequent faculty sub-committees. John earned his BA in history from Whittier College, and is currently enrolled in USC's MPH program. During his free time, John follows his beloved Dodgers, although he did admit that the "Padres might grow on me...if they start winning." Please join us in welcoming John to Sharp.

You can reach John at (858) 499-4069 or at [Jeonathan.Rodriguez@sharp.com](mailto:Jeonathan.Rodriguez@sharp.com).



Sharp HealthCare CME also welcomes Adriana Rice, BS, new CME Associate. Adriana got a little taste of CME by working in the CME Department via the Sharp employee pool earlier this year. Born in Bogota, Colombia, Adriana has been in the United States for almost 10 years. Settling in San Diego with her husband, she has been with Sharp via Sodexo at Sharp Memorial Hospital and Sharp Grossmont Hospital since 2007. She enjoys sampling the variety of food offered in California, as well as the many cultures that call the Golden State home. In addition, Adriana is tri-lingual – Spanish, French, and English— a huge plus in our ever changing world. Bienvenue Adriana!

You can reach Adriana at (858) 499-4035, or at [Adriana.riceolaya@sharp.com](mailto:Adriana.riceolaya@sharp.com).



## Pharmacy Spotlight:

### Diabetes Conference in November

Sharp HealthCare's 2016 Diabetes Conference will be held on Friday, November 11, 2016 at the Hyatt Regency Mission Bay from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The conference is designed for nurses, pharmacists, dieticians, clinical and managerial leaders and others interested in optimizing in-patient diabetes care.

Conference highlights will include new and emerging treatment therapies for Type 1 and Type 2 diabetes, treatment strategies for managing special situations affecting glucose control, and recognizing barriers and developing solutions to glycemic control in the hospital setting.

If you'd like additional information please contact Marisa Holley at (858) 499-3112 or [marisa.holley@sharp.com](mailto:marisa.holley@sharp.com).



## Physician Spotlight:

### Sharp Rees-Stealy Spine Case Conference



Mary Duquette, MD

On the second Tuesday of each month, a group of orthopedic surgeons, radiologists, neurosurgeons, internal medicine, pain anesthesiologists, fellowship-trained sports medicine physicians, and pain medicine specialists gather for the Sharp Rees-Stealy Medical Group (SRS) Spine Case Conference. This lively group of physicians gathers to review new and a few long-standing cases and discusses treatment options for each patient. The group is always

mindful of what treatment will work for each specific patient, making recommendations on a case-by-case basis.

The chair of this conference is Mary Duquette, MD, a SRS Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation physician for than 20 years, and former medical director of the Sharp Memorial Hospital Pain Program. "We discuss cases that may be surgical," said Dr. Duquette, "but we are happy to discuss pain management as there is a full array of specialty depth to share ideas. Any physician can present a case if they can tell us ahead of time, especially if the patient is contemplating surgery." Doing so gives the radiologist time to review the images.

For more information on the SRS Spine Case Conference, please contact, Chris Mattson at (619) 740-4153 or [chris.mattson@sharp.com](mailto:chris.mattson@sharp.com).

## Activity Spotlight: Looking Back

### Emerging Trends in Hip Arthroscopy – An International Perspective

Drs. Muldoon and Santore and the Sharp Hip Preservation Center hosted renowned hip arthroscopy specialist, Victor M. Ilizaliturri, MD, from Mexico City on July 13, 2016. Dr. Ilizaliturri is a Professor of Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México.

Dr. Ilizaliturri shared his specialized technique in hip arthroscopy in the operating room, providing Sharp colleagues the opportunity to observe and participate in surgical instruction. The evening lecture provided attendees the opportunity to acquire clinical knowledge in the surgical treatment of developmental dysplasia of the hip, and to discuss current concepts in minimally invasive hip arthroscopy.



### Advances and Controversies in Melanoma and Other Skin Cancers

Sharp HealthCare's Oncology Service Line focused on melanoma and other skin cancers for its annual continuing medical education conference this past September. This conference offered an opportunity for both didactic learning and case discussion.

The conference presented three case panels highlighting basal and squamous cell cancers, metastatic melanoma and merkel cell cancer along with lectures discussing the latest prevention strategies, biopsy techniques (including sentinel node) and surveillance measures for skin cancer survivors.

A patient discussed his experiences as a person diagnosed with melanoma, his challenges and his successes. He was well received by attendees as it provided a different perspective for physicians in attendance.

## Activity Spotlight: Looking Forward

### Kidney Transplant Conference- Advances in Transplantation for Community Nephrologist

**Saturday, November 5, 2016 – 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Paradise Point Resort and Spa, Mission Bay**

This year's Kidney Transplant Conference will focus on what's pertinent to the community nephrologist and their patients. This year's keynote address, "Long-Term Graft Survival in Kidney Transplantation," will be presented by Fuad Shihab, MD, Medical Director, Kidney and Pancreas Transplant Programs, University of Utah Hospital, University of Utah Health Care, Salt Lake City, Utah.

There is no fee for registration. For more information or to register, visit: <http://www.sharp.com/kidneyconference> or you can contact Adrianna Locke at (858) 650-5075, or

[Adrianna.locke@sharp.com](mailto:Adrianna.locke@sharp.com).

### SAVE THE DATE – Innovations in Advanced Heart Care: From Prevention to Intervention

**Saturday, May 6, 2017 – 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
Paradise Point Resort and Spa, Mission Bay**

The 2017 Sharp Health Care's Annual Cardiovascular Service Line Conference will focus on new advanced techniques in structural heart and coronary artery diseases. Chaired by Raghava Gollapudi, MD, Sharp Memorial Hospital Interventional Cardiologist, next year's spring conference is designed for physicians specializing in primary care, internal medicine, and cardiology, as well as nurse practitioners and physician assistants.

For more information on this conference, visit: [www.sharp.com/cardiac-conference](http://www.sharp.com/cardiac-conference).



## Upcoming Events

The most current list of upcoming CME and CPE activities can be found on the CME Portal. You can also view your transcripts and certificates; complete evaluations; update your personal information; and sign up for other activities.

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