CHECK LIST

Harlem Hospital Center-Generations+/Northern Manhattan Network January 20, 2012-----

SPOTLIGHT ON THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT

Our Emergency Department is staffed and equipped to provide immediate treatment for all types of emergency situations for both adults and adolescents. We are a Level One Trauma Center with an area wide Burn Unit. Our staff is dedicated and works around the clock to provide exemplary patient care. This section of the Check List will spotlight our Emergency Department and introduce the team which makes it all possible.





Reynold Trowers, MD, and Lynette Carrington, MD.

Dr. Reynold Trowers is the Director of Emergency Medicine. His talented team includes Dr. Lynette Carrington, MD, Associate Director; Craig Braithwaite, PA-C, Chief of Emergence Medicine;





Craig Braithwaite, PA-C-Chief of Emergency Medicine and Valeria Thompson, MD-Chief of Pediatric Emergency Medicine





Shermean Bellinger, Assistant Coordinating Manager and Steven Oliveras, PI Coordinator

Valeria Thompson, MD, Chief of Pediatric Emergency Medicine; Rhea Morris, RN, Deputy Director of Nursing; Ms. Vivien Salmon, Senior Associate Director; Kimona Hanson, Associate Director; Shermean Bellinger, Assistant Coordinating Manager; and Steven Oliveras, PI Coordinator.



(I-r): Kimona Hanson, Associate Director, Rhea Morris, MSN, RN, NE-BC, Deputy Director of Nursing, Vivien Salmon, Senior Associate Director and Alizia McMyers, RN, BSN, Nursing Supervisor

The Emergency Department has embraced and is effectively working to implement the Hospital's policy on Patient Flow. Very soon the Emergency Department will unveil and celebrate the newly renovated Fast Track Area with a ribbon cutting ceremony. This area will provide patients with less threatening illnesses a chance to be seen and discharged more quickly, eliminating long waiting periods.

Harlem Hospital Center is a training site for the New York City Fire Department's Paramedics. Paramedic trainees who have completed their classroom training rotate through the hospital to gain practical skills and patient care experience.

The Emergency Department collaborates with the Department of Social Work, ensuring patients who are victims of abuse of any kind receive the proper tools towards a better life. The Emergency Department is also a direct

link to the Stroke Team as their life saving efforts can prevent detrimental damage if a stroke victim is treated appropriately within an hour of a stroke.

Hats off to the Emergency Department... You are simply the best!

BEHIND THE SCENES .. PROFILES

The Check List welcomes ... Behind the Scenes... a new section that will feature staff members who are found behind the scenes diligently working to make the hospital function efficiently. Some are pretty quiet as they go about their daily task. You wouldn't know they existed except for the signature of the work left behind. So unassuming, but when needed they will answer the call without hesitation.

This Check List, we've selected two members from the Department of Environmental Services, Ms. Perfecta Simon and Mr. Dwight Hill.



When asked when she began working for Harlem Hospital Center, Ms. Perfecta Simon, Housekeeping Aide, Environmental Services, smiles widely and said May 14, 2005. Perfecta is a soft spoken person who is always pleasant and willing

to assist in whatever way possible. She began her assignment on the 15^{th} floor of the Martin Luther King Pavilion. She moved to the Pediatric Unit and now serves on the 2^{nd} Floor.

Every morning you can anticipate a pleasant greeting, followed by seeing her "whisk" to one of the many areas she tends to, without one complaint.

Perfecta reflects the true meaning of customer service and providing quality care with a smile.



Joining the Harlem Hospital Center team in 2005, Mr. Dwight Hill, Housekeeping Aide has proven helpful in this unit. Mr. Hill, staying mostly to himself, covers the first floor of the Martin Luther King Pavilion. Dwight works Tour II, and can often be found working overtime. From striping and waxing floors, to removing linen from patient beds, Mr. Hill is always busy doing his part to make sure the first floor is always clean. In addition to admiring the hard work he contributes to the hospital's environment of care, Dwight is most proud of his rapport with the Emergency Department Staff. There's nothing they ask him to do that he won't grant.



NEW PATIENT PAVILION UPDATE

Completion date for our long awaited. breathtakingly beautiful, state-of-theart New Patient Pavilion is August 2012. The project is progressing on schedule. The exterior of the building is substantially complete and revolving doors are in the process of being installed in the Emergency Department Walk-In entrance, as well as in the Atrium. The mural gallery, murals taken from the various campus buildings for restoration, will arrive for installation in February 2012. Permanent lighting of the mural walls will have been installed as of January and will be ready to light the wall in February 2012.

Stay tuned for more information on the New Patient Pavilion.

FREE DENTAL SCREENINGS Give kids a smile!

On February 3, 2012 between the hours of 9am - 4pm, the Dept of Dentistry at Harlem Hospital Center will offer free dental screening for children (under the age of 17) for National Children's Dental Access Day.

The Department of Dentistry is located in the Women's Pavilion at 16 West 137th Street (between Lenox and 5th Avenues), 2nd Floor. Refer a child. Let's give them something to smile about.

JOINT LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST

The Community Advisory Boards of Harlem Hospital Center and the Renaissance Health Care Network cordially invite you to attend their Joint Legislative Breakfast scheduled for Saturday, March 24, 2012 at 9 a.m. in the Herbert G. Cave Auditorium in the Martin Luther King Pavilion. The theme for this year's event "Harlem 2012: Healthcare Is A Right" focuses on the ongoing concern of the community. Special guests will include elected officials of New York, the Harlem community, and of course you. So spread the word, pack the audience and learn more about the direction of healthcare; after all, it is indeed a right!

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH CAUGHT IN THE ACT

Is there someone in your department you would consider worthy of recognition for their efforts? If so, please submit your write-up to Rodney Brown in the Department of Human Resources, Women's Pavilion, 6th Floor, Room 640, or by email at Rodney.Brown@nychhc.org or Tamicka.Murray@nychhc.org no later than the 3rd Monday of each month. The write-up must include:

- Employee Name
- Title
- Department
- Supervisor's Name
- Employee's Tour

Remember, you don't need to be a manager or supervisor to submit a nomination; you can nominate one of your fellow employees if you feel they are deserving of recognition. Any nomination received after the 20th will be considered during the following month, so please watch the due date. If you have any questions contact Mr. Brown at extension 2618.

BE PART OF HISTORY

"An independent Brooklyn-based film seeks nurses who are single mothers for interviews as the basis for an upcoming fictional film. The film tells the story of a hard-working nurse and single mother who balances a life supporting two young daughters and feisty aging mother at home, with the all-consuming job in the local hospital. Inevitably, the film becomes not only a portrait of a singleparent, but also acts as a celebration of nurses as the warriors and saviors on the front-lines of the U.S. health-care system. Despite the challenges the family endures, the story is replete with hope, heroism and resilience. The film works both as an intimate portrait and as a paean to the American working class.

"Share your story. The goal of the film is to celebrate nurses for their compassion, genius and strength.

"Interviews will conducted by phone or in person at the convenience of the subject. No photography or video taping will be made. Audio recording may be done as a means of note-taking only. Privacy is prioritized to encourage candid reflections upon personal

experiences. The resulting script will be fictionalized and inspired by these personal stories.

"Contact 917.686.9378 or e-mail isadurni@gmail.com to set up an interview or request more information. For director's bio, please visit the production company website: www.isabelsadurni.com."

NOTE: This is a personal commitment the individuals will make, using your own time. This project has nothing to do with the specific hospitals or clinics of the Generations+/Northern Manhattan Health Network.

DATES TO REMEMBER

The Chinese Lunar New Year has begun and the Year of the Dragon begins on Monday, January 23, 2012.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

WE REMEMBER



Barbara Taylor, RHCN CAB

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Ms. Barbara Taylor, longtime Renaissance Health Care Network CAB member. Ms. Taylor was an activist for the Sydenham Hospital and rotating member of the Renaissance CAB since its inception in 1980.

In June 2011, Ms. Taylor resigned from the CAB and relocated to California. Ms. Taylor leaves to cherish her memory, her children, the Renaissance CAB and the Harlem community at large. A Memorial Service for Ms. Taylor will be scheduled at a later date.