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NEWS

Edmonds Medical Staff Elects Service Chiefs and Committee Chairs *by Douglas Grier, M.D., president of the Medical Staff, Swedish Edmonds*

Active medical staff members have elected Alan Boudousquie, M.D., as chief of ancillary, Adrianna Mickelson, M.D., as chief of family medicine, Martha Moe, M.D., as chief of obstetrics, Catalina Draghici, M.D., as chief of psychiatry, Aric Christal, M.D., as chair of the credentials committee, and Felix Leshchinsky, M.D., as chair of the critical care committee. Leaders are elected to two-year terms which begin Jan. 1.

Swedish Medical Staff Department Chief Election Results Announced

Active and APC members of the Swedish Medical Staff recently completed elections of all 13 department chiefs to two-year terms beginning Jan. 1. Chiefs were elected to lead the new unified medical staff departments which include the Ballard, Cherry Hill, First Hill and Issaquah campuses. [Continue reading.](#)

Change in Transfer Center

As we continue to build quality improvements in our organization focused on quality and safety, the transfer center is now implementing a transfer call recording process. This process focuses on the calls in and around the direct admission process of Swedish physicians accepting patients from sending facilities outside of Swedish (to include Swedish Edmonds). [Continue reading.](#)

Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee Report

Prescribing IV acetaminophen (IV APAP) is restricted to inpatients in whom the PO route is contraindicated AND have one of the approved indications for bariatric surgery or febrile neutropenia in oncology patients. Doses will be limited to one-time orders only. Any requests for IV APAP use outside current approved indications is non-formulary use and should be brought to P&T for review. Click [here](#) for the new IV APAP use criteria. Find out about P&T's most recent decisions in the [November newsletter](#), including restrictions to sucralfate suspension and vasopressin use. Visit the [P&T website](#) to learn more.

Circle by Swedish app adds vaccine tracker

Just in time for flu season, the Circle by Swedish pregnancy and parenting smartphone app has released an update with a vaccine tracker for kids, including timely flu shot reminders. The update also includes new features for parents with kids from newborn through age 18. [See how patients would benefit.](#)

Welcome New Medical Staff Members

Welcome practitioners who [joined the Swedish medical staff in November.](#)

LEADER NOTES

Medical Staff Expresses Gratitude to Outgoing Chief of Staff Janice Connolly, M.D. by Elizabeth Wako, M.D., chief medical officer, First Hill



On behalf of the entire FBC medical staff I want to express our deepest gratitude to Janice Connolly, M.D., for her outstanding leadership and steadfast dedication to quality care and the medical profession at Swedish over the past several years. As we transition to a unified medical staff Jan. 1 Janice is completing several years of service to the thousands of medical staff members and allied health staff who call Swedish their professional home. [Continue reading.](#)

KUDOS

2017 Olav and Anne Sola Award Recipients Named by Douglas Grier, M.D., president of the medical staff, Swedish Edmonds

Raegan Fisher, supervisor, Volunteer Services, Diane Moller, RN, NICU, and Maurice Santillanes, manager, Medical Imaging, have been selected as the three recipients of the 2017 Olav and Anne Sola Award. Olav Sola was a surgeon in the community, who along with his wife Anne, played a key role 50 years ago in creating the public hospital district and obtaining community support for the initial bonds passed for the construction of Stevens Hospital. [Continue reading.](#)

Medical staff members may submit news about awards, recognitions, published articles, media reports, and other professional achievements for consideration in "Kudos" by emailing [Medical Staff News.](#)

POLICYWONK

Swedish Medical Staff Governance Documents Approved

The Board of Trustees has given final approval to several bylaws amendments and to the initial Rules and Regulations, and Organization and Functions policy passed at the annual meeting in September. Bylaws amendments adopted included: [Continue reading.](#)

New/Updated Standards

[Click here](#) for a summary of Clinical Standards recently adopted or amended and links to each Standard. Standards are published as soon as possible after final adoption. All Swedish Standards are accessible at <http://standards.swedish.org> or by going to the Swedish intranet page and clicking on "Standards."

CME

Swedish Continuing Medical Education Opportunities

Swedish offers a variety of accredited CME events, including full-day conferences, online courses and regularly scheduled series. Visit www.swedish.org/cme for a complete list.



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At Your Service: The Physician Assistance Program

The Swedish Physician Assistance Program is a confidential, outside resource available to medical staff members and their families at no cost to support members in addressing:

- Family or marital concerns
- Substance abuse
- Work-life balance issues or other problems
- Grief and loss
- Home ownership consultation
- Emotional or behavior issues
- Compulsive behaviors
- Caregiver burnout
- Management coaching

The program is always confidential and available 24 hours a day, seven days a week at 800-777-1323. Benefits also include free legal services, childcare and eldercare referrals, identity theft/fraud services and debt management assistance.

Check out the [online tools and resources](#). Enter your username, swedish, in order to access the library of work/life tools, trainings, and webinars available to you.

And So Forth...

Swedish Department Chiefs

The following chiefs have been elected:

Anesthesiology	Daniel Bailes, M.D.
Cardiovascular services	Joshua Buckler, M.D.
Emergency medicine	David Selander, M.D.
Family medicine	Julie Taraday, M.D.
Medicine	Deborah Washington, M.D.
Obstetrics, gynecology, perinatology	Mark Lowdermilk, M.D.
Ophthalmology	Robert Nash, M.D.
Orthopedics	Alexis Falicov, M.D.
Pathology	Nuria Perez-Reyes, M.D.
Pediatrics	Elizabeth Meade, M.D.
Radiology/medical imaging	Kristin Manning, M.D.
Surgery	Sean Wells, M.D.
Urology	John Mullen, M.D.

Transfer Center

This process will enable all caregivers to have access to the transfer of clinical information by listening to the recorded call conducted between the sending physician, accepting physician and potentially the hospitalist. Our goal is to ensure the highest caliber of safety in the riskiest part of care...which is the transfer.

Call recordings will be kept for a brief period of time for clinical knowledge, quality improvement and customer satisfaction. If you have any questions please contact [Deena Hannen](#), administrative director, case management.

Chief of Staff Connolly Honored

Janice has filled several key roles at Swedish, including chairing the quality oversight committee, serving as chief of staff-elect for two years and now as chief of staff. Her unwavering commitment to the highest standards for both patient care and physician satisfaction deserve our heartfelt thanks and I am honored to offer that today.

Bylaws Amendments

- Name changes
- Technical corrections and clarifications
- Adding Edmonds officers to the executive committee
- Inclusion of FBC and Issaquah amendments adopted earlier in 2017
- Reducing medical staff quorum from 50 to 25 and clarifies committee quorums
- Replaces comment period with reporting on policy changes
- Transfers quality council responsibilities to the campus executive committee

The initial Rules and Regulations, and Organization and Functions policy adopted for the new, unified medical staff are largely identical to the existing FBC and Issaquah documents with minor technical and non-substantive conforming changes. All medical staff governance documents are available on the Swedish intranet at [Swedish Online](#).

Sola Award

The Olav and Anne Sola Award, named in honor of the Solas' exceptional contributions to the founding of the hospital, is given annually by the Swedish Edmonds Medical Staff to an individual(s) in recognition of their outstanding contributions for the benefit and welfare of the patients of Swedish Edmonds Hospital and South Snohomish County. This is the fifth year this award is being bestowed.