Welcome to the inaugural issue of the Geriatrics and Palliative Care Newsletter. As changes in the operation of our palliative care line service and COVID-19 continue to impact patient care, communication is more critical than ever. Your feedback helps us continually improve and grow. We encourage you to respond to our recent survey or in any other way, whether by phone or email. We aim to make our services better in all we do. If you have questions or comments, please contact us.

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We hope you find this newsletter useful and informative. Our goal is to highlight our new faculty in each newsletter. We also summarize departmental accomplishments and achievements. We will also provide updates on new grants, projects, and patients that are important to you.

One key feature of this newsletter is an awards and recognition section. We list the section to highlight departmental accomplishments and achievements. We will also highlight our new faculty in each newsletter.

We encourage you to read this newsletter useful and informative. Your contact information is below if you have any questions, comments or patient referrals.

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Faculty Awards

• Megan Hulschi-Schmidt, MD — American Geriatrics Society (AGS) 2021 Geriatric Mentor Award for Emerging Investigators in the Subspecialty of Internal Medicine that you are passionate about.

• Stacie Levine, MD, FAAPM — American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine Section of Geriatrics Distinguished Service Award

• Lauren Son-Gleason, MPH, MPH — Accepted into the Tideswell AGS Emerging Leaders in Aging Program

• Stacie Levine, MD — Inducted as a Fellow, American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine

• Monika Malec, MD, and Stacie Levine, MD, FAAPM — Nominated to Chicago Magazine’s Beanie Awards.

New Grants

• Cleris Huang, MD, PhD — Five-year grant from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to establish a Center for Multi-Organ Diseases Associated with Health Disparities, and Megan Hulschi-Schmidt, MD, will co-direct the virtual telehealth randomized controlled trial from the American Alliance-based virtual assistant called EnGealth to deliver evidence-based programs to older adults in home to reduce frailty.

• Kathryn Thompson, MD — Health Resources and Services Administration HRSA supplemental grant to address community engagement and medical education specific to the COVID-19 response.

• Kathryn Thompson, MD — COVID-19 Inspiring Chicago Older Adult Opioid and Pain Management through Patient-Centered Clinical Decision Support and Project ECHO (OCRP)

• Sandy To, MD — Bucksmann Institute award Time Capsule. An Oral History Project for the South Side of Chicago.

• Kathryn Thompson, MD, JH, and Jacob Walker, MD, (Project Lead) — HRSA GME Human Resource supplement to support community education and membership COVID-19 response in nursing homes.

• Stacie Levine, MD, FAAPM — Coleman Foundation and The Coleman Palliative Medicine Training Program – PhD

• Stacie Levine, MD — Endowing Patient Family Care Communication in the Setting of Serious Illness in Beijing and Wuhan” Funding: University of Chicago Center in Beijing

Publications


Meet Our New Provider

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Continuing Medical Education (CME)

Speciality-Level Palliative Care Webinar Series

This is a 10-week virtual webinar series on specialty-level palliative care topics for advanced practice providers and physicians who specialize in or work currently in palliative care. For more information, click here.

News from UChicago Medicine Geriatrics

UChicago Medicine Geriatrics participates in National Age-Friendly Health System Movement

The SHAKE network continues to educate health care workers on the importance of care and quality of life for those living with Alzheimer’s disease and related dementias. Read about the initiatives and to register, click here.

News from the Forefront for You and Your Patients

What to know about booster shots and their doses of the COVID-19 vaccine

Racism as a public health crisis

Doctors can now see prostate cancer anywhere in the body

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