IU GERIATRICS e-news for January 2004

The IU Geriatrics Program and the IU Center for Aging Research welcome Cathy Schubert, MD, to the IU School of Medicine faculty. Cathy has been appointed assistant professor of clinical medicine and has joined IU Medical Group-Primary Care. Her new duties include geriatrics consultation in the IU Center for Senior Health and on Wishard’s Acute Care for Elders (ACE) Unit and and providing primary care to residents of local nursing facilities. Cathy completed an internal medicine residency at IUSM and a geriatric medicine fellowship at IU and the Regenstrief Institute.

PUBLICATIONS


PRESENTATIONS

Steve Counsell, MD, and members of the GRACE team hosted a GRACE Site Visit with leaders from the Indiana Medicaid Office of Policy and Planning on December 12, 2003. The visitors learned about the GRACE model and how the program could be applied to Indiana’s aged, blind and disabled Medicaid beneficiaries. Participating team personnel included nurse practitioner Carrie Bone, and social worker Meredith Wingrove. The visitors also learned about the services of the IU Geriatrics Program and Senior Care at Wishard from Melanie Pumphrey, Kathy Frank, Beth Nikides, and Karen Bowers. The visit ended with a tour of Wishard’s Acute Care for Elders (ACE) Unit and the IU Center for Senior Health. GRACE project coordinator Gretchen Ricketts also participated in the site visit.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Michael Sha, MD has been selected to chair the Indiana State Medical Association’s Family Violence Committee. Check out the association web site for the committee’s domestic violence resources, including a reference guide outlining eight steps to screen and assist victims of domestic violence. The ISMA also offers regional resource cards that list phone numbers for shelters and other support agencies. These business-sized cards may be placed in special holders that hang on the wall of patient restrooms.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join us at the next Aging Research Work in Progress January 27, 8:00-9:00am. Colleen McHorney, PhD, will lead a discussion on revisions for an NIMH R01, and Malaz Boustani, MD, MPH, will discuss a research proposal, "Natural History of Mild Cognitive Impairment in Primary Care." WIP meets at the Roudebush VA Health Services Research & Development Service in D-6005.
