Construction underway on Brigham and Women’s Sleep Medicine and Endocrinology Center at BWFH

On the fifth floor of Brigham and Women’s Faulkner Hospital, what was once three separate suites is being transformed into one large suite that will soon house Brigham and Women’s Sleep Medicine and Endocrinology Center. The new suite will include Sleep Medicine, General Endocrinology, the Diabetes Program and the Center for Weight Management and Metabolic Surgery. [Read more.]

BWFH physicians run for the cause

Brigham and Women’s Faulkner Hospital physicians Dr. Brandon Earp, Chief of Orthopedic Surgery, and Dr. Niraj Sharma, Primary Care Physician at Brigham and Women’s Family Care Associates, are running in the 2016 Boston Marathon to benefit teams Stepping Strong and Life.Giving.Breakthroughs, respectively.

To help Dr. Earp reach her fundraising goal for team Stepping Strong, click [here].

To help Dr. Sharma reach his fundraising goal for team Life.Giving.Breakthroughs, click [here].

Dr. Norman L. Sadowsky Award for Excellence - nominations due April 15

The Dr. Norman L. Sadowsky Award for Excellence goes to an individual who best exemplifies the qualities Dr. Sadowsky himself demonstrated throughout his career. Dr. Sadowsky made extraordinary contributions to BWFH’s patients and staff during his more than 40 years of leadership in radiology. As a radiologist, colleague, friend, teacher, researcher and administrator, he always brought the highest levels of caring, compassion, creativity and service excellence to his work.

To nominate a BWFH employee for this year's Dr. Norman L. Sadowsky Award for Excellence online, click [here]. You may also complete this [form] and submit it on paper or via email to Andrea Slade in Human Resources, 7th Floor. Nominations are due by Friday, April 15.
Susan Bezanson Patient Safety Award - nominations due April 15

The Susan Bezanson Patient Safety Award is presented annually to a BWFH employee who demonstrates superior levels of excellence and the same dedication to patient safety and quality assurance that Sue Bezanson exhibited. Sue’s participation on several interdisciplinary committees shed light on the vital role of ancillary services in patient care. Sue was a champion for all patients and was herself a recipient of the Dr. Norman L. Sadowsky Award for Excellence prior to her death from breast cancer in 2008.

To nominate a BWFH employee for this year’s Susan Bezanson Patient Safety Award online, click here. You may also complete this form and submit it on paper or via email to Andrea Slade in Human Resources, 7th Floor. Nominations are due by Friday, April 15.

Senior Administrative Assistant receives 2015 Scholarship Award

Eunice Charles, Senior Administrative Assistant in Brigham and Women’s Faulkner Hospital’s Emergency Department, was among the recipients of the Association of Multicultural Members of Partners 2015 Scholarship Awards presented by Brigham and Women’s Health Care President Dr. Betsy Nabel during the annual Scholarship Award Breakfast. Read more.

BWHC Medical Director of Emergency Preparedness uses lessons learned in the Navy to lead the response to disaster

Prior to attending medical school and completing his residency in Emergency Medicine, Dr. Eric Goralnick graduated from the United States Naval Academy and served as an officer in the Navy. The lessons learned from serving his country have had a great influence on his medical career. Read more.

Dr. Goralnick recently spoke with Radio Boston on the topic of medical preparedness lessons learned from events like the Boston Marathon bombing and the recent attack in Brussels. Click here to listen.

Community Health and Wellness Department tackles food insecurity

In many Boston neighborhoods, fresh, healthy foods are not available in local markets or the residents in the area lack the financial resources to afford them. This is what is known as food insecurity. To tackle the issue, Brigham and Women’s Faulkner Hospital’s Community Health and Wellness Department lists food resources online and has placed food resource boxes in the Emergency Department and other areas within the hospital. Read more.
**Finance team welcomes new Senior Financial Analyst**

The finance team at Brigham and Women’s Faulkner Hospital is pleased to welcome David Benoit, who has recently come on board as Senior Financial Analyst. In his new role at BWFH, Benoit will support patient care services with their budget process, working with each director to assist in budget planning and monitoring throughout the year. He will also oversee weekly, monthly and quarterly reporting, business plan development and EPIC reporting, as well as serve as the point person for position control monitoring. [Read more](#).

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**Influenza vaccination campaign: We want your input!**

This year, Brigham and Women’s Faulkner Hospital achieved a very high employee influenza vaccination rate! Our vaccination rate was 91 percent, with mandatory masking for unvaccinated employees. Thank you for your dedication to the health and wellness of our patients, families, visitors and each other. We are already at work on plans for the 2016–2017 flu season. Please share your ideas and opinions about how we can further improve our vaccination rates in a brief, anonymous [survey](#). It is important for us to hear from everyone, including those who were vaccinated for the first time during the 2015–2016 influenza season and those who opted not to be vaccinated. We are committed to achieving the goal of having every hospital staff member immunized against all vaccine-preventable diseases.

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**The Print House at BWH offers services to BWFH**

The Print House is an on-site resource at Brigham and Women’s Hospital for all of your printing needs. Let us help you promote your department by increasing brand awareness and brand recall through promotional products, graphic design, branded apparel, mailing services and much more. You can search all promotional products [here](#). For superior customer service, email Ellen Schneider or Angela Mark or call 617-732-5699 or 781-324-4455. Tour our newly redesigned and user friendly [website](#). We can bill directly to your cost center number and offer free pick-up and delivery to all Partners HealthCare locations in and around Boston.

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**Deadline extended - Please complete BWFH’s employee compliance survey by April 15**

Brigham and Women’s Faulkner Hospital’s Compliance Office is conducting an employee survey to assess the effectiveness of its internal compliance educational efforts and to measure employees’ awareness of the hospital’s ethical standards, compliance reporting methods and compliance program. BWFH is committed to ensuring that all employees understand our ethical standards and compliance-related responsibilities.

Please take a few minutes to [complete this short survey](#) by Friday, April 15. Questions with more than one answer will indicate “select all that apply.” Your feedback is very important and will help us to continually improve our internal compliance program.
Internet Explorer 11 mandatory upgrade - April 15

All BWHC workstations that have not yet been upgraded to Internet Explorer 11 will receive an automatic upgrade on Friday, April 15, between 1 and 5 am. Employees are instructed to leave their computers turned on and to properly log off at the end of the day. If employees are logged into their devices on April 15, between the hours of 1 and 5 am, a pop-up message will appear alerting users that their computers will restart in 10 minutes in order for the upgrade to be installed properly. Mobile devices will receive the upgrade the next time the devices are turned on and connect to the PHS network. Learn more about the upgrade here. Self-install instructions are available here.

Enter BWFH’s 2016 Boston Red Sox ticket lottery by April 20

Brigham and Women’s Faulkner Hospital is conducting a lottery for employees who would like to purchase 2016 Boston Red Sox tickets. If you are interested in purchasing tickets, please fill in an entry form and submit it to the Perks Office in Human Resources by Wednesday, April 20. If your name is selected, we will contact you by email or phone during the month of April. Your tickets must be purchased within seven days of notification or they will go back into the pool. Limit of two tickets per employee.* Entry forms can be found at the Perks display on the 7th floor and on BWFHConnect.org. One entry form per employee. Drawing is for BWFH employees only. *A limited number of three-pack tickets are available.

Help us complete the picture of RN job satisfaction at BWFH by April 24

Brigham and Women’s Faulkner Hospital is a proud member of The National Database of Nursing Quality Indicators (NDNQI). The NDNQI offers a survey to direct care RNs in member hospitals, and we have chosen to participate for the first time in 2016! The survey will help to obtain an accurate picture of RN job satisfaction on every participating unit at BWFH. RNs, please take a few minutes to complete the survey before April 24.

Clinical Systems Audit ends April 29

April 11 marks the start of the annual Brigham and Women’s Faulkner Hospital Clinical Systems Audit, designed to ensure that all employees are utilizing no more than the minimum necessary patient information to perform their duties. Those who manage direct reports listed in PeopleSoft and have access to any of the included applications will receive an email with a link to the audit tool on Monday, April 11. The audit period runs for three weeks, ending on Friday, April 29. During this time, the Brigham and Women’s Health Care Privacy Office will be available to assist managers with completing audits. Call 617-582-5201 or email PHSClinicalSystemsAudit@partners.org with any questions about the audit.

Save the date! BWFH Spring Fling - April 29

Get ready to celebrate! Join us from 5:30 to 10:30 pm on Friday, April 29, for the annual employee party at Moseley’s on the Charles in Dedham. There will be a light supper buffet, cash bar, photo booth, prizes, dancing and fun! To see photos from last year’s party, visit BWFH’s Facebook page. No registration or tickets required. Just bring your hospital ID badge to admit you and one guest. To see the poster, click here.
Enroll today! Regis College Health Policy Course at Brigham and Women’s Faulkner Hospital - May 17 to June 21

The Master of Science in Health Administration program at Regis College is designed to develop highly effective health administrators and leaders through a program of study focused on the critical, ethical, legal, social, political, management and leadership issues in health administration and through a hands-on field experience in a healthcare setting. HP 609 Health Policy, Politics and Perspectives is an introductory course required for the Master of Science in Health Administration program at Regis College. The course will meet on-site at Brigham and Women’s Faulkner Hospital every Tuesday evening from 5 to 8 pm for six weeks from May 17 to June 21, 2016. To learn more, click here or contact Program Manager for Professional Practice/Magnet Designation Helene Bowen-Brady, MEd, BSN, RN-BC, at 617-983-7000, extension 2853.

Save the date! Service Awards - May 26

Mark your calendar! The Service Awards will be held May 26, 2016. If you are due to receive a Service Award, an invitation to the ceremony will be sent via mail to your home address. Human Resources will be stopping at various locations around the hospital to take pictures of employees who will be receiving Service Awards—we would love to see you in the slide show!

Register today! Walk from Obesity - June 4

The ASMBS Foundation is hosting their second annual Walk from Obesity at Brigham and Women’s Faulkner Hospital. The Walk from Obesity is the nation’s largest gathering of individuals affected by obesity. Join staff from Brigham and Women’s Center for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery on Saturday, June 4, at 9 am as we celebrate the success of our patients, raise money and take steps towards a healthier life! Registration is open online. Questions? Contact Laura Andromalos at 617-732-8884 or visit the ASMBS Foundation’s Facebook event page to learn more!

BWFH is now on Instagram!

See what’s happening in and around the hospital by following us on Instagram. If you have a photo you want to share, email it to Web and Multimedia Specialist Caitlyn Slowe.

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