What to expect when you’re expecting (a visit from the Joint Commission)

Before October 2017, Brigham and Women’s Faulkner Hospital is due for re-accreditation by the Joint Commission. As part of their inspection, BWFH expects to be surveyed using the Joint Commission’s new Survey Analysis for Evaluating Risk (SAFER) matrix methodology. Read more to learn what to expect.

Submit a question today for BWFH’s June 21st Town Meeting

Join Brigham and Women’s Faulkner Hospital leaders in Huvos Auditorium at 12 noon on Wednesday, June 21, for a Town Meeting where we will discuss important hospital updates.

We invite you to anonymously submit a question to BWFH leadership in advance.

Community care with a global reach

Since 1996, Dr. Ronald Warner has been a community physician in the Hyde Park office of Brigham and Women’s Faulkner Community Physicians, seeing patients who were born and raised in Hyde Park as well as a large patient population from all over the world who have settled in the neighborhood. Among his patients are Marc and Monique. When the couple fell ill during a visit to Haiti, Dr. Warner coordinated with their daughter to care for them from afar. Read more.

Leading the Way: Unit Based Councils meet during National Nurses Week

During National Nurses Week, Brigham and Women’s Faulkner Hospital’s Department of Nursing brought together nurses from each unit for a Unit Based Council Summit to share ideas and best practices. The topic for the day was “Leading the Way: Leading yourself, leading others, leading the organization.” Read more.
The role of emergency physicians in the opioid epidemic

Recent headlines like the *Washington Post*’s “The doctor you see in the ER may put you on a path toward long-term opioid use” have placed blame for the opioid epidemic on the prescribing habits of Emergency Department physicians. But Scott Weiner, MD, MPH, who attends in both Brigham and Women’s Hospital’s ED and Brigham and Women’s Faulkner Hospital’s ED, says the headlines are misleading. According to Dr. Weiner, ED physicians are not solely responsible for the opioid epidemic. Read more.

Multi-disciplinary group of BWFH providers published by NCBI

A multi-disciplinary group of authors, including Brigham and Women’s Faulkner Hospital dermatologists Drs. Paige Wickner and Joyce Hsu and Clinical Pharmacy Practice Manager Alana Gruszecki, were recently published by the National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI). The abstract of their paper, “Addressing Inpatient Beta-Lactam Allergies: A Multihospital Implementation,” can be read online here.

I CARE recipient steps in to play the role of family

Brigham and Women’s Faulkner Hospital’s I CARE Award recognizes staff members who go above and beyond their regular job responsibilities to make BWFH a great place to work and receive care. Paula Santosuosso, Executive Assistant to Vice President of Finance Gerard Hadley, was a recent recipient of an I CARE Award. Read how Santosuosso played the role of family for one hospital patient.

Do you know a BWFH employee who has gone above and beyond to demonstrate BWFH’s I CARE Standards? To nominate a fellow colleague for an I CARE Award, please visit BWFHconnect.

BWFH recognized with Gold Award for heart failure care

Brigham and Women’s Faulkner Hospital has received the Get With The Guidelines®-Heart Failure Gold Quality Achievement Award for implementing specific quality improvement measures outlined by the American Heart Association/American College of Cardiology Foundation’s secondary prevention guidelines for patients with heart failure. Read more.
**Bold Ideas, Big Savings - Share your cost saving ideas!**

The Bold Ideas, Big Savings program encourages ideas that improve service levels, either by reducing cost or increasing quality at Brigham and Women’s Faulkner Hospital. Ideas that are accepted and implemented through the program may be eligible for a cash reward based on the amount of savings! *Do you have a cost savings idea? Submit it to the Bold Ideas, Big Savings program.*

**Free healthy recipe tasting - June 8**

Join Brigham and Women’s Faulkner Hospital’s registered dietitian Allie Lang for free healthy recipe tastings at Shaw’s in Hyde Park (1377 Hyde Park Ave) on Thursday, June 8, from 8 to 10 am. You’ll learn just how easy it is to prepare healthy, affordable meals with seasonal items. Plus, feel free to ask any nutrition questions, or just chat about healthy eating!

**Service Awards - June 8**

Mark your calendar! The Service Awards will be held June 8, 2017. 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!

**BWFH celebrates LGBT Pride Month - June 9**

Join members of Brigham and Women’s Health Care LGBT & Allies Employees Resource Group on Friday, June 9, from 11:30 am to 1 pm outside the cafeteria at Brigham and Women’s Faulkner Hospital in celebration of Pride Month. The group supports the health and well-being of the diverse communities we serve. All Brigham and Women’s Health Care employees (friends and allies, as well as those in the LGBT community) are welcome to join participate in the day’s festivities.

**Scrub Amnesty Week - June 11 to 17**

Have you acquired hospital scrubs in recent months? Here’s your chance to clear your conscience and your closet. Brigham and Women’s Faulkner Hospital is asking all staff, physicians and vendors to anonymously return hospital-issued scrubs. For your convenience, collection bins will be located in Men’s and Women’s Locker Rooms, on each floor of the parking garage, in the third floor lobby and in Surgical Services from Sunday, June 11, through Saturday, June 17.
“In Our Own Voice” presentation by NAMI - June 13

Join Brigham and Women’s Faulkner Hospital’s Diversity and Inclusion Committee on Tuesday, June 13, from 12 noon to 1 pm in Huvos Auditorium for the National Alliance on Mental Illness’s (NAMI) presentation “In Our Own Voice.” The presentation is given by individuals living with mental illness who will discuss their journey with their disorders. The presentation includes a video, personal testimony and discussion to enrich the audience’s understanding of how people with these serious disorders cope with the reality of their illness while recovering and reclaiming productive lives. All are welcome.

FREE chair yoga class sponsored by the LiveWell Employee Wellness Committee - June 22

Join us on Thursday, June 22, at 12:30 pm in Mary Ann Tynan Conference Room 2 for a FREE 30-minute introductory chair yoga class with registered dance therapist and certified yoga instructor Kathleen Anderson, MA, DTR. It’s your chance to treat yourself to a “body holiday” from your hectic workday with meditation and gentle yoga stretches performed in a chair. The focus will be to calm the body, mind and spirit. Breathing exercises will gradually ease the nervous system, and stretching poses will release tension from your entire body. Guided meditation returns your mind to a place of peace so that you will be refreshed and ready to tackle the rest of your workday! Registration is required as space is limited. Contact Nancy Oliveira to sign up by June 20.

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