Announcements

New Appointments:
December 2015
Antoinette Kavanaugh, PhD started as a Lecturer this past December. She will be teaching an independent study and will begin working on creating a child forensics course for the Department. Dr. Kavanaugh is a Forensic Clinical Psychologist who works as a consultant at The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Preventions (OJJDP) and the MacArthur Foundation.

Education News

Katherine Backes, MD (PGY4) had her collaborative article “Plasma Oxytocin Concentration and Depressive Symptoms: A Review of Current Evidence and Directions for Future Research” published in Depression and Anxiety.

Chandan Khandai, MD (PGY2) and Molly Lubin, MD (PGY3) submitted “Prevalence and Determinants of Psychiatric Disorders Among South Asians in America” to the Residents Journal of the American Psychiatric Association.

Penelope Libeu, MD (PGY2), Michael Schrift, MD, Jared Worthington (M3) and Christopher Nash (M3) submitted “Lateral Ventricular Choroid Plexus Papilloma Presenting with a Schizophrenia–like Psychosis,” for presentation at the ANPA 27th Annual Meeting. Abstracts accepted and presented at the meeting will be published online in the spring 2016 issue of the Journal of Neuropsychiatry and Clinical Neurosciences, the official journal of ANPA.

The Illinois Psychiatric Society, the district branch of the American Psychiatric Association, has chosen Sam Libeu, MD (PGY4) as their “resident of the year” for 2016. Sam has long been active in organized medicine and psychiatry, and is currently the IPS Resident Representative and the IPS Newsletter Editor. He travels to Springfield every March on Advocacy Day to meet with state legislators about mental health issues, and he is the prime mover for encouraging other Illinois psychiatry residents to advocate for our patients and better MH services.

Presentations and Conferences

Co-chair of the National Academy of Medicine’s Forum on Promoting Children’s Cognitive, Affective, and Behavioral Health
- Chaired a webinar entitled Identifying Opportunities for Prevention and Intervention in the Youth Depression Cascade held jointly by the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine and the American Academy of Pediatrics
- Presented at workshop on Ensuring Quality and Accessible Care for Children with Disabilities and complex Health and Educational Needs
Publications


Austin MP, Kingston D, Reilly N, Wisner KL. Depression screening in a collaborative care setting for perinatal women: Is the time long overdue? Submitted.

If you would like to submit an item or photo to the newsletter, please email Rachel Rodriguez at rrodrig3@nm.org for information.