



The “New” Model of Care
A look at Obstetrical Specialties

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Message from Dr. Hogge

As I prepare my “chair remarks” for this issue of the Department’s newsletter, my thoughts are continually drawn to the current debate over

healthcare reform. The commonly used phrase in this debate is “new models of care.”

In this issue, you will read about a new model of care introduced at Magee in 2007; a model of highly experienced obstetricians providing 24/7 coverage of Labor and Delivery and the Triage Unit.

Lead by Bob Kaminski, this group of obstetrical specialists has markedly enhanced patient safety, and improved the quality of care provided to our patients at Magee.

Equally as important as the clinical enhancement in Labor and Delivery, has been the effect of the OB Specialty group on resident education. Our residents learn operative obstetrician, labor management, and other key skills from individuals with years of experience and outstanding clinical skills. As we continue to look for new approaches to patient care, I am hopeful all will be as successful as this “experiment” has been.

Finally, we have just finished another resident recruitment season, culminating in a Match Day class of 10 new residents, coming from many of the top medical schools in the country. I am delighted to report that our specialty continues to attract the best and the brightest students and we are excited to welcome them to our program.

Enjoy a brief overview of the Department!

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Midlife Center Director Named

As many of you are aware, the Department, in collaboration with Magee, established a Mid-life Center several years

ago to provide a multi-disciplinary team approach for women dealing with issues of the peri-menopause, menopause, and post-menopause times of life.

The program has been a remarkable success, but it has not developed the national reputation we envisioned when it was conceived. However, I am pleased to announce the first step toward fulfilling that goal.

We have named Dr. Mary Beth Peterson as the Director of the Mid-life Center, and given her the mandate and support to move the program to the next level.

Mary Beth joined the Department in 2008 after a successful career in private practice. She has been a key clinician in the Center, and we are excited that she has agreed to take on this administrative role. Look for more information about the Mid-life Center in an upcoming issue.

Pioneering Doctor Recalls Fond Memories of Lifelong Career at Magee

David Katz, MD, is a classic Pittsburgh guy. He was born at Magee in 1936, and as he says, “I never left!”

For as long as he can remember, he always wanted to be a doctor, like his father—also Dr. David Katz, who practiced as an OB/Gyn at Magee. They were the first father/son team to train at Magee, and for 90 of the first 100 years of Magee’s existence, there was a Katz on the staff.

After finishing his training at Magee in 1965, Dr. Katz was drafted into the Air Force. When he returned in 1967, he began to practice with his father, a time he recalls fondly. “It was really nice to have a practice to start with upon my return. It was a 50/50 mix of OB and GYN.”

Unfortunately, the elder Dr. Katz had a heart attack and passed away only three years later at age 75. After practicing solo for four to five years, Dr. Katz and Bob Fronduti became partners. Through the years, others joined the practice—Drs. Don Carson, Ellen Stewart, John Turocy, and John Barrett, among others. “I was always so impressed with the quality of my colleagues over the years. All of them were conscientious, intelligent, hardworking—and good doctors. It was an incredible group that made Magee a world class institution.”

On Technology and Continuing Education

“Sometimes things just fall into place, it was serendipity,” said Dr. Katz when asked about being the first person in Pittsburgh to perform a minimally invasive surgery. While reading through a “throw-away” journal published by drug companies in the late 60s, he stumbled upon an article about a new procedure that was being done in Europe. It occurred to him that he could use this tool to get better diagnostic results without the risks and pain of the typical surgical means of the day.

Along with Saul Berg, and with the blessing of Terry Hayashi, he went off to Wayne State Medical School in Detroit, to observe two procedures that were being done with this



Dr. David Katz, surrounded by photos of his 12 grandchildren.

equipment. Being impressed, he returned to Magee, ordered the equipment and performed the first laparoscopic procedure in April 1969.

As a result, Dr. Katz taught post-graduate courses in laparoscopy, and helped to test and refine the design of new instruments that were made specifically for OB/GYN. In fact, his biggest piece of advice to new physicians is to work hard and commit to continuing education—advice he practiced himself.

Today

Today, Dr. Katz is semi-retired. He practices a few days a week at outpatient clinics doing gynecology and works on research studies. In his spare time, Dr. Katz is an avid stamp collector (a past-time he has passed on to his children and grandchildren) he enjoys long distance bicycle riding (there are 19,000 miles on the bike in his garage) and paddle tennis. Along with his wife Mary Lou, he has four sons and 12 grandchildren.

When asked why he supports Magee, he replied, “It is our obligation to support Magee and keep it as a world class research and clinical institution. I believe that we owe to those that have given to us. I am blessed and can’t think of anything I would have rather done. I love to work. I loved the work I did and I have a wonderful family!”

Division of Obstetrical Specialties

Founded only in 2007, the Division of Obstetrical Specialties is the newest division in the Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology & Reproductive Sciences. Its members, mostly generalist obstetrician-gynecologists, contribute by spending all or part of their professional time as hospitalist physicians at Magee.

It was the evolved need for reliable, steady, and consistent coverage of the Magee Women Care Birth Center (WCBC) Triage unit, with its ever increasing number and complexity of patients, that was the original stimulus for the development of this somewhat oddly-named division. It was, however, the closure of the obstetrical unit at the hour's drive away Monongahela Valley Hospital in June 2007, that fully launched Magee into the hospitalist era.

The hospitalist model of care, whereby hospital-based physicians assume responsibility for care for all or most patients on a given hospital unit, has become the most prevalent mode of inpatient care in the fields of internal medicine and pediatrics. A similar model has long been in place in most EDs and ICUs.

When the Mon Valley Hospital discontinued inpatient obstetrical care, nearly 500 patients per year were left without a place to deliver their babies. A cooperative arrangement with the Department produced a system whereby patients could still receive their prenatal care in Monongahela with their previous doctors.

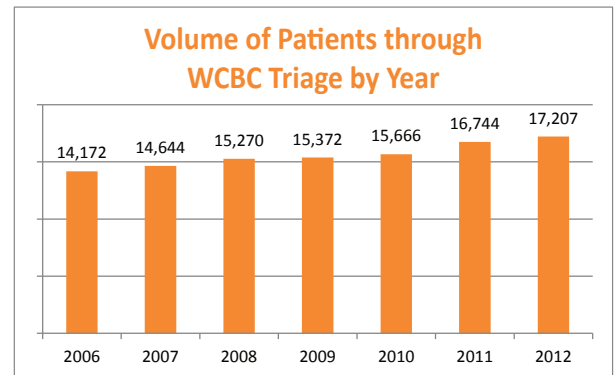
When it came time for their labor and delivery, the patients were welcomed at Magee and cared for by members of the OB Specialties

At Safety Rounds: OB hospitalists, attending OBs, OB residents, NICU staff, anesthesia staff, Family Medicine physicians, nursing administration, nursing patient care coordinators from each area, medical or nursing students, and anyone else involved with the unit who has an interest, checks in.



Division. This model quickly became successful and was surprisingly well received by the mothers and their families.

The constant in-house presence of unit-dedicated and seasoned obstetricians began to become recognized as a valuable patient safety and patient satisfaction vehicle. Patient Safety Rounds, such as the session pictured below, are conducted every four hours around the clock with questions being covered on each patient that include issues like “Is there anyone with a possible difficult airway secondary to their body habitus?” or “Is there any EFM tracings that are concerning?”



The increasing volume and complexity of patients presenting to our Triage unit for evaluation (17,207 in 2012 = 47/day) can now be assessed quickly and completely. Emergencies can be acted on rapidly and decisively. Backup to our midwife and family medicine colleagues is available without a need for a call to another area. Surgical assistance in abdominal cases or in operative vaginal

deliveries has been received as a valuable collegial service to all Magee providers.

By October 2011, the need for the OB hospitalist presence at Magee in terms of patient safety monitoring, response to emergencies, provider backup, resident supervision, student education, nursing staff assistance, and protocol implementation became progressively compelling enough so as to warrant the addition of a second 24-hour hospitalist.

Patients trusting their care to Magee now can be reassured to know that they have a full-time hospitalist in Triage and a full-time hospitalist in Labor / Delivery (in addition to the full-time presence of an MFM physician).



Drs. Sandy and Kaminski recap the 4 p.m. Patient Safety Rounds.

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According to Robert Kaminski, MD, Division Chair, “Magee was one of the first academic settings in the country to begin the practice of hospitalist work.

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Each division member, in addition to their hospitalist work, has other roles consistent with the overall mission of our Department: clinical, research, education, or administrative.

Current active research interests and activities among division members:

- Dr. Katherine Bunge: Vaginal microbicides in treatment of reproductive infections, especially HIV
- Dr. Richard Beigi: Reproductive associated infectious disease, especially influenza in pregnancy
- Dr. Elizabeth Krans: Models of obstetrical care; operative vaginal delivery, especially forceps

Current major administrative roles filled by division members:

- Dr. Richard Beigi: President of Medical Staff, MWH
- Dr. Stephen Hasley: Chief Medical Information Technology officer of the Department
- Dr. Robert Kaminski: Chairman of Obstetrical Services Committee, MWH

The Division of Obstetrical Specialties sees opportunity for program growth and for a leadership role in obstetrical care for many years to come.

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–Dr. Kaminski

Division Faculty:

- Richard H. Beigi, MD
- Katherine E. Bunge, MD
- Stacey J. Carlitz, MD
- Edwin W. Cheek, MD
- James A. Crozier, MD
- Stephen K. Hasley, MD
- Robert J. Kaminski, MD
- Sunita D. Katari, MD
- Elizabeth E. Krans, MD
- Mark W. McCormick, MD
- Edward A. Sandy, MD

Upcoming Events

ACOG: Magee reception

May 6, 2013/6 p.m.

Brennan's Restaurant, 417 Royal Street
New Orleans, LA 70130

If you are attending ACOG, please let us know. Magee will be hosting an invite-only reception the evening of May 6.

Research Day in Reproductive Biology & Women's Health

May 31, 2013/All day

Magee-Womens Hospital of UPMC
Auditorium, zero level

The combined format of the program showcases the newest data from our faculty researchers, as well as selected presentations by our clinical fellows and residents in the Department of OBGYN-Reproductive Sciences and our postdoctoral fellows at Magee-Womens Research Institute. We are also honored to host an internationally recognized Visiting Professor this year, who will deliver two unique keynote addresses.

Keynote Speaker

Jerome Strauss III, MD, PhD
Dean of the Virginia Commonwealth School of Medicine.

Dr. Strauss is an internationally renowned researcher, educator and administrator, with diverse expertise in reproductive biology, and the application scientific knowledge to clinical reproductive medicine. For more than 17 years prior to his appointment as Dean at VCU, he served as associate chairman of the University of Pennsylvania's Department of OBGYN, where he was the Luigi Mastroianni, Jr. Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology and founding director of the Center for Research

For more information about happenings, please contact Colleen Gaughan at cgaughan@magee.edu or 412.641.8978.

on Reproduction and Women's Health at the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Strauss has been internationally recognized for his research and research training programs, which have been sponsored continuously by the NIH for more than 20 years. He also has served as an elected officer or member of many national and international medical science organizations, including the prestigious Institute of Medicine in 1994.

Two Outstanding Lectures

Dr. Strauss' morning lecture on his research will be supported by the Margaret Prine Joy Lecture in Reproductive Sciences. In the afternoon, Dr. Strauss will share his thoughts on the role of reproductive biology and academic OBGYN departments in shaping the future of women's health through the endowed lectureship, *Celebration of Life: A Lecture Honoring Mothers*.

Department of Ob/Gyn/RS Awards Ceremony

June 7, 2013/ By invitation only

The Twentieth Century Club
4201 Bigelow Boulevard, Pittsburgh, PA 15213



8th Annual Savor Pittsburgh

August 29/VIP Area 5:30-10 p.m.

General Admission 6:30-10 p.m.

SouthSide Works, Corner of Sydney Street & 26th Street

2013 Title Sponsor: C. Hackett Motors



This under-the-stars event will fill the SouthSide Works with aromas of appealing appetizers, enticing entrees, delightful desserts, exciting music and copious cocktails. The Culinary Competition is a collection of Pittsburgh's

finest chefs sharing their recipes as they compete for "Dish of the Year", accompanied by the sounds of No Bad JuJu. Proceeds benefit the fight against prematurity at Magee.

VIP tickets are \$120 and general admission is \$65 and can be purchased at www.savorpgh.com or by calling 412-641-8950.

2nd Annual Fly Fishing Classic

September 12 & 13

Homewaters Club, Spruce Creek, PA

The competition will take place on private waters on Spruce and Penns Creeks. Each team will be accompanied by a guide/judge and will fish Thursday afternoon and Friday morning, with additional fishing available. Teams who register will be provided the rules of the competition. Proceeds benefits the Women's Cancer Research Center.

For more information or to enter a team, contact Arthur Scully at 412-641-8973.

Alumni Reception

October 3/4:30 -6:30 p.m.

Pittsburgh Golf Club

On the evening before Alumni Day, plan to join your alumni residents, fellows and others for a social reception. Please RSVP to this event by contacting Colleen Gaughan, Magee-Womens Foundation, cgaughan@magee.edu or 412.641.8978.

38th Annual Alumni Day

October 4

Magee-Womens Hospital

The classes of '88, '93, '03 & '08 are celebrating their reunion years but all graduates, former faculty and current faculty should plan to attend this special day. Class reunion lists:

1988

Linda Chan
Anthony DelConte
John M. Fisch
John K. Fong
Marilyn J. Gage
Stephen K. Hasley
Kris E. Kennedy
Lydia F. Sims
Laura E. Tsakiris
Luis Vaccarello

1993

Fadi Bsar
Kristine K. Charles
Julie Gluck Laifer
Lisa M. Keder
Stephanie L. Nicholas
Sandra G. Rygg
Malay C. Sheth
Kevin D. Stocker
John F. Turocy
Yvonne A. Yao
Catherine Yeagley

2003

Brenna L. Anderson
Richard H. Beigi
Amy Y. Cai
Susannah Copland
Arundhathi Jeyabalan
Michel Makhoul
William J. Mitsos
Vivian W. Sung
Andrew J. Sword

2008

Marianna Alperin
Amanda Alvelo-Malina
Jennifer L. Baumbach
Kathleen A. Bunge
Kathleen A. Carroll
Beatrice A. Chen
David Hackney
Catherine G. Hilliker
Heather Hohmann
Susan M. Lareau
Carol Lin
Gina Mantia Smaldone
Stephanie M. Owens
Nina Powell
Scott Richard
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Magee-Womens Hospital National Rankings

- Gynecology – 5th
- Orthopaedics – 31st
- Diabetes and Endocrinology – 32nd
- Cancer – 45th
- Magee is also regionally ranked as high-performing in Gastroenterology and Urology

Magee is ranked #2 in the Pittsburgh Metro area and #4 in Pennsylvania among ALL hospitals.

Magee Receives High Rankings at the Local, State and National Levels

New Faculty Hires for the Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology & Reproductive Sciences:
January 1, 2013 - April 1, 2013

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| Maryanne Hugo, MD | 1-1-13 |
| Robert Thomas, MD | 2-1-13 |
| Renara Hoca, MD | 2-1-13 |
| Elizabeth Hazel, MD | 2-1-13 |
| Charles Krenser, MD | 2-1-13 |
| Anne Shaben, MD | 2-1-13 |
| Katharine Goetz, MD | 2-1-13 |
| Donald Carson, MD | 2-1-13 |
| Steele Filipek, MD | 2-1-13 |
| Isabelle Wilkins, MD | 2-1-13 |

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