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## Rehab Unit Receives Full Reaccreditation

The Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) recently awarded a full three-year reaccreditation to The University of Kansas Hospital's inpatient Rehabilitation Unit. It is the only inpatient program in Kansas to receive such accreditation.

"This couldn't have happened without hard work by our physicians, therapists, nurses and all of the groups

that support our inpatient rehabilitation program," said **Jill Georges**, director, Rehabilitation Services. "What an incredible team effort!"

CARF surveyors reviewed the hospital's Brain Injury Inpatient Rehabilitation Program, Inpatient Rehabilitation Program and Stroke Specialty Program, checking 1,170 standards. They inspected the facility, interviewed staff and physicians, reviewed patient

interactions and looked through records, policies and data.

"The surveyors were thorough and rigorous in their inspection," noted **Patricia Sanders-Hall**, vice president, Ancillary Care. "They were very complimentary of our overall program, as well as the physicians, neuropsychologist, nursing leadership team, staffing and therapy teams. They also were impressed by the obvious

effort and genuine dedication to quality patient care shown by all."

**Chris Ruder, RN, MS**, vice president, Patient Care Services, offered congratulations to **Bea Murdock, RN**, nurse manager, Rehabilitation; psychiatrists **Linda Ladesich, MD**, and **Kim Mongeau, DO**; Georges and the entire team on "an outstanding effort over many months. Their commitment to quality paid off in a great final outcome."

## Abrahamson Earns Coveted Faculty Honor

For faculty at the University of Kansas Medical Center, there is no higher honor than being named a University Distinguished Professor (UDP).

As the newest UDP, **Dale Abrahamson, PhD**, chair, Anatomy and Cell Biology, joins a select group of only six other faculty members at KUMC. **Robert Hemenway, PhD**, KU's chancellor, recently announced Abrahamson's selection for the prestigious honor.



Dale Abrahamson, PhD

A lifetime title, the award recognizes those who make outstanding contributions in teaching, research and service to their professions and communities.

A distinguished scholar in

his field, Abrahamson earned a National Institutes of Health Method to Extend Research in Time (MERIT) award for pioneering research on kidney development. He also received an NIH Centers of Biomedical Research Excellence (COBRE) grant to build a vital center for research on cell and developmental biology at KUMC – and his work has been continuously funded by NIH.

During his 10-year tenure at KUMC, he has consistently obtained outstanding evaluations from students. He teaches Cardiopulmonary and Renal and Endocrine modules and instructs

multiple histopathology labs. Abrahamson also recruits and mentors junior faculty. In addition, he is a KU Chancellor's Club Award winner.

"Dale has truly distinguished himself as a national and international scholar committed to the development of his students, colleagues and this institution," said **Barbara Atkinson, MD**, executive vice chancellor.

Other UDPs on campus include:

- **Marc Asher, MD**, Orthopedic Surgery
- **Jared Grantham, MD**, Kidney Institute

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- **Joan Hunt, PhD**, Anatomy and Cell Biology
- **Curt Klaassen, PhD**, Pharmacology, Toxicology and Therapeutics
- **Joseph Lutkenhaus, PhD**, Microbiology, Molecular Genetics and Immunology
- **Michael Soares, PhD**, Pathology and Laboratory Medicine

## Nursing Support Staff Members Receive Awards

The University of Kansas Hospital honored three staff members with the 2008 Nursing Support Staff Excellence Award June 19.

Award recipients were:

- Health Care Technician **Tiffany Fudge**, Cancer Center
- Health Care Assistant **Mary Henley**, Short-stay

- Unit Secretary **Maria Howald**, Mother/Baby

Nominees included

- Natasha Baker**, Cardiothoracic Surgery Intensive Care; **Mia Belcher**, Cancer Center; **Patsy Brown**, Medical Intensive Care; **Nikki Fallon**, Medical Telemetry Progressive Care and General Medicine; **Belinda Gatson**, Family Medicine and Orthopedic Surgery; **Lula Gratten**, Neurosurgery Intensive Care; **Brynn Harrison**, Trauma, General Surgery and Plastic Surgery; **Jeanene Hoffman**, Neurology, ENT and Urology; **Peggy Kelley**, Respiratory Therapy; **Kimberly Lee** and **Carmen Matos**, Pre-anesthesia Testing; **Lisa Skwarlo**, Emergency Department; **Stephanie Wood**, Pediatrics; and **Patty Yuille-Oakman**, Inpatient Cancer Care.
- Tammy Peterman, RN, MS**,

executive vice president, chief operating officer and chief nursing officer, presented the awards.

## Heart Walk Funds Due Friday, June 27

The 2008 Kansas City Heart Walk fundraising will be a done deal Friday, June 27. Any funds turned in after that time will count toward the 2009 event.

Heart Walk representative **Tiffani Kintchen** will pick up funds from team captains Friday. Contact her at [Tiffani.Kintchen@heart.org](mailto:Tiffani.Kintchen@heart.org) to make arrangements. For more information, contact **Amy Metcalf**, Marketing, 5-5240, [ametcalf@kumc.edu](mailto:ametcalf@kumc.edu), for the University of Kansas Hospital teams, and **Paula Baum**, Community Relations, 8-1017, for the University of Kansas Medical Center teams.

The annual Heart Walk is a benefit for the American Heart Association. In 2007, the AHA contributed \$2.4 million to the hospital and medical center campus to help save lives from heart disease and stroke.

## Knoll Honored for Service to Profession

The National Organization of Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education named **Dorothy Knoll, PhD**, a Pillar of the Profession for "extraordinary service to the student affairs profession."

The award honors her more than 20 years of service to the University of Kansas Medical Center, where she is dean of students. Knoll also was recognized for work with the United Way, the Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board and other organizations.



## Drive-Thru Flu Shot Event Receives Honor

The University of Kansas Hospital's Drive-Thru Flu Shot program earned the 2008 Community Connections Award from the Kansas Hospital Association. **Tom Bell**, KHA president, (left) made the presentation June 24. Accepting the award, which included a \$1,000 check, were (second from left) **Bob Page**, president and chief executive officer, **Amy Metcalf**, Marketing, and **Ruth Heaton, RN**, Organizational Improvement. Page noted the program model Metcalf created is now used nationwide. Heaton has organized nurse volunteers for 12 of the 13 events.

# eXtracurricular

Please send news and calendar items to [mmurphy@kumc.edu](mailto:mmurphy@kumc.edu) or contact Marli Murphy at 5-5192. Items must be received by noon on the Monday prior to publication.

## Thursday, June 26

KUMC AUXILIARY BAZAAR and Art Fair: Gift items and artwork, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., outside the cafeteria.

## Friday, June 27

NEUROLOGY/NEUROSURGERY Grand Rounds: "Regulation of Neuronal Gap Junctions During Development and Injury," Andrei Belousov, PhD, 7-9 a.m., Lied Auditorium.

PEDIATRIC GRAND ROUNDS: "Summer Fun," Pam Shastri, DO, 8-9 a.m., Wahl Hall West Auditorium.

EXCEL 2007 TRAINING: Dianne Griffin, 9-11:30 a.m., G025 Dykes Library. Register: [www2.kumc.edu/comptaining/ClassRegistration](http://www2.kumc.edu/comptaining/ClassRegistration).

POISON CONTROL CENTER Open House: Check out the new location, 2-4 p.m., Delp 4043.

ALZHEIMER AND MEMORY Program Open House: Visit the new office, 3-5 p.m., 110 Support Services Building, includes refreshments and music. To attend, contact Stacy Picek, [spicek@kumc.edu](mailto:spicek@kumc.edu).

LANDON CENTER ON AGING Chat 'n' Chew: Free family movie, "Ice Age, the Meltdown," rated G, 6-8 p.m., 200 Landon Center. Information: Hallie Kates-Calloway, 8-0606.

## Tuesday, July 1

ADULT CONGENITAL HEART DISEASE Support Group: 7-8:30 p.m., White Heart Learning and Resource Conference Room, Center for Advanced Heart Care.

## Wednesday, July 2

NURSING EDUCATION CLASS: "Developing Abstracts and Posters," Lynne Connelly, RN, PhD, 1-3 p.m., B011 School of Nursing, no pre-registration required. Information: 8-1657.

LIVER TRANSPLANT Support Group: 7-8:30 p.m., Wyandotte Room.

## Thursday, July 3

HEADACHE EDUCATION Support: 6:30 p.m., first Thursday, Prairie Village Community Center, 7720 Mission Rd. Information: 8-1227.

## Friday, July 4

KUMC FAMILY DAY at Worlds of Fun/Oceans of Fun: Barbecue lunch and fireworks, buy discount tickets through July 2, \$29 for KUMC

staff and students, \$39 for hospital and KUPI staff, 1024 Murphy. Information: Tamela Walz, 8-5148.

## Pick Up Renewed Parking Permits

Employees who park on the main campus must pick up renewed parking permits by Monday, June 30. Current permits expire at 5 p.m. that day.

Dates and locations to get permits include:

### Thursday, June 26

- Until 3 p.m., Stoland Lounge
- 3:30 to 5 p.m., Parking Office, Support Services, 2100 W. 36th Ave.

### Friday, June 27

- 8 to 9:30 a.m., Parking Office
- 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Stoland Lounge
- 3:30 to 5 p.m., Parking Office

### Monday, June 30

- 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Parking Office

For more information, call **Avis Moore**, 8-5062, or visit [kumc.edu/parking](http://kumc.edu/parking).

## Join Race for the Cure Team

Mingle with campus colleagues, get your heart pumping and support a worthy cause by joining The University of Kansas Hospital and Cancer Center's team for the Komen Kansas City Race for the Cure.

The 5K event is at 7:30 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 10, at Union Station in downtown Kansas City, Mo., with both a competitive and non-competitive race. There is also a 1K fun walk. The race supports the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation.

Online registration fee is \$21.40 at [komenkansascity.org](http://komenkansascity.org). After login in, click *Team Registration*, then *Teams 5K Run/Walk*. (No team password is required.) Choose *KU Hospital/Cancer Center* as your team name. Team registration deadline is Monday, July 28.

You also can register by mail with a paper entry, which must be postmarked by Wednesday, July 16. The registration fee is \$25, and entry forms are in race brochures at these campus locations:

- Radiation Oncology, basement level, Delp Pavilion
- Cancer Center, main lobby desk, Westwood Campus
- Breast Cancer Prevention Center, Suite 1102, Westwood Campus
- University of Kansas Cancer Center, 4030 Robinson
- KU MedWest Breast Center, second floor
- External Affairs office, 1028 Murphy Hall

## Researchers Study Women's Migraines

Why do women suffer from more migraines than men do?

That's what **Nancy Berman, PhD**, professor, Anatomy and Cell Biology, University of Kansas Medical Center, and **Nick Stucky, MD/PhD** student at KUMC, want to find out. Berman received a \$20,000 award from the American Headache Society (AHS) to conduct

research – her second research award from AHS.

"We are looking at sensory neurons that carry pain information, and we are looking to see if they have estrogen receptors and how that may make pain worse in women," she said.

Stucky will develop a rat model of a migraine so they can figure out how the headache develops. The venture is part of a larger research project conducted by the Hormone Pain Group at the medical center.

# eXchange

## Vehicles

2006 YAMAHA R-1, 9.6K, lots of extras, call for list of equipment, \$9,000. 816-914-0882.

2005 NISSAN XTERRA SE, 44K, 4WD, metallic red w/gray interior, great condition, 6 disc CD, \$15,900. 913-484-8634.

2002 MAZDA TRIBUTE ES, 103K, 4WD, 4-door with spoiler, leather seats, sun roof, CD, no major repairs, minor scratch on rear, great condition, \$7,500. 913-422-7471.

2001 DURANGO SLT, 5.9L V8, 116K, green, leather seats, premium sound, cruise control, third row seats, \$6,000 OBO. 816-222-4592.

2001 HONDA CR-V, 105K, black, tinted windows, CD player, automatic, cruise control, power windows/locks, AC, roof rack, \$8,500 OBO. 913-620-1202.

1997 SEADOO SPX, 800cc, 110 HP, very reliable, includes Towgo trailer, \$2,500. Single front-mount Boat Floater PWC lift, \$650, or \$3,000 for all. 816-830-1019.

1995 GMC 1500 short bed pickup, 188.5K, V6, white, toolbox in back, retails for \$2,830, asking \$2,000. 816-237-6072.

1992 HONDA SHADOW VLX motorcycle, 7K, 600cc, red, minor dent in gas tank, great condition, \$1,900. 913-530-7756.

## For Sale

WASHER/DRYER, \$300 OBO, microwave and desk also available. 913-633-9229.

KENMORE WASHER/DRYER, 3 years old, \$250 for both, you pick up. 913-206-7151.

APPLE MACBOOK AIR, 1.6 Ghz, 80 GB hard drive, never used, certified warranty through May 2009, \$1,650. 913-268-4855.

TOM PETTY CONCERT, 2 tickets, Tuesday, July 22, Sprint Center, \$100 OBO. 785-342-1399.

GE GAS DRYER, white, excellent condition, \$145. 913-371-0818.

iPOD TOUCH, 8 GB, never used, retails for \$300, asking \$275. 913-530-9055.

O'SULLIVAN TV CABINET, lots of storage room, good condition, \$50. 913-579-4843.

DIRECT TV SATELLITE DISH, 18", less than 1 year old, includes mounting hardware and cables, \$80 OBO. 816-665-2956.

VIOLIN, full size, perfect condition, includes case, \$300. 913-432-3134.

MOVING SALE, large gas grill, \$200; window air conditioner, \$100; Stairmaster, \$1,200; lawn-mower, \$50; trimmer, \$25; weight bench with weights, \$25; patio table and chairs, \$25; large desk, \$25. 913-961-5508.

TIKES PLAY KITCHEN includes sink, oven, storage, extended countertop and other fun features, paid \$50, asking \$12. 816-363-8696.

LAZYBOY SOFA with fold-out bed, excellent condition, \$150. 816-436-3769.

FURNITURE SET includes dining room table with 3 chairs, blue couch and matching chair, coffee table, matching end tables, 2 lamps, entertainment center, computer desk with book shelves, \$500 OBO. 816-861-7738.

BABY TAD, Leap Frog Hug & Learn, interactive cuddly frog plays kids' songs and games, paid \$25, asking \$7. 816-363-8696.

BOB THE BUILDER SCOOP Ride, 6 volt battery, charger, 2.6 MPH, auto brake safety, plays music and sound, holds up to 55 lbs., \$100 OBO. 913-907-9950.

COMPUTER MONITORS, 20" IBM, 15" Socos, fair condition. 816-786-5683.

TOM PETTY CONCERT, 2 tickets, Tuesday, July 22, Sprint Center, excellent seats, asking \$240, face value. 816-810-6409.

## Classified ads

E-mail your ad, 25 words or less, to [centerexpress@kumc.edu](mailto:centerexpress@kumc.edu) or submit online at 24/7 at [intranet.kumed.com](http://intranet.kumed.com) by noon Monday. Or send or bring ad to Administration Building, Suite E110, 2330 Shawnee Mission Pkwy., Westwood, KS, 66205. Ads are free for employees, students and volunteers. Include your name and work extension (or student box number) for verification. Only personal phone numbers – no pager numbers or work extensions – will be published. Include area code. No ads for commercial services or pets for sale will be accepted. Ads will not be taken by telephone. Ads may be held if space is limited.

## Garage Sale

MULTI-FAMILY GARAGE SALE: 12912 N. Oakland Ave., 8 a.m.-3 p.m., Thursday, June 26-Saturday, June 28, infant thru 3T clothing, Avon, manicure table with fan, perm cart with rods, copier, dishes, toys. 816-516-3091.

## Housing

### • FOR SALE

KCK HOME, 2332 N. 88th St., 4 BR, 2 1/2 BA, stove, refrigerator, washer/dryer, double oven/gas stove in basement, 2-car garage, \$169,900. 913-400-7332.

SHAWNEE MISSION HOME, 3 BR, 2 BA, 2-car garage, lots of storage, quiet neighborhood, walk to grade school and parks. 816-519-5113.

PRAIRIE VILLAGE RANCH, 4811 W. 66th St., 3 BR, 1 BA, 1-car garage, full basement, deck, fenced backyard, \$199,900. 913-266-5530.

CHARMING CAPE COD, 4 BR, 2 BA, hardwood floors, updated interior, in Prairie Village, \$209,000. 913-907-4120.

### • FOR RENT

APARTMENT, 1 or 2 BR, spacious, near KUMC, \$420/month for 1 BR or \$475/month for 2 BR, 5% discount for students. 816-510-6016.

## Carpools

BLUE SPRINGS to KUMC, work hours 8 a.m.-5 p.m., M-F. 816-726-9838.

## Found

SILVER/RED INSERT EARRING, square, found on sidewalk along Rainbow in front of Spencer Chapel. 913-588-5746.

## Pets

2 PLAYFUL CATS, 5 years old, grey/white Tabby and Russian Blue, good with kids, will not separate. 913-709-7263.

SWEET BLACK CAT, 10-month-old female, needs to be spayed, good mouser. 816-454-1075.

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