We hope this email finds you well. The fellowship program continues to thrive. Our first year ambulatory rotation was such a success last year that we have expanded it to one month. The fellows are exposed to various types of practices from a solo practice to a multispecialty practice that are either independent or faculty practices. It opens the fellows mind to potential opportunities in the future and more one-on-one time with attending physicians in the outpatient setting.

Our new rotations for this year include two electives for senior fellows at Lenox Hill Hospital. The first is an advanced structural heart rotation for senior cath fellows who obtain exposure to a wide variety of valve interventions. The second is an advanced cardiac imaging rotation including two weeks of cardiac MR and two weeks of CT reading with a tremendous spectrum of pathology. Both rotations have been welcomed with much enthusiasm. We look forward to continuing to develop rotations that meet the needs of the ever changing landscape in cardiovascular training.

Our active participation in the CLI program with rotations in vascular access, cath simulation, ECHO/TEE, physical exam, cadaver lab, and the use of OSTEs for the fellows and faculty continue to be a robust component of training and faculty development. Our experience will be published this year as a book chapter on the use of simulation in medical education. As you will see on these few pages, our fellows have been successful this year in having several presentations at major scientific sessions in both invasive and noninvasive cardiology. One of our first year fellows had his first major NIH grant accepted this year as well.

A reminder that your suggestions, content submissions and photos are always welcome. Please send submissions to cardiologyconnection@nshs.edu. Be sure to mention your graduating year so we can feature topics accordingly. We look forward to hearing from each of you!

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Research Pubs & Grants

We have had a great year with research publications—five were presented at the AHA, five will be presented at ACC and six at upcoming SCAI Conference in Las Vegas.

NIH grant "Atherosclerotic disease burden reduction through anti-inflammatory effects of glycine supplementation in diabetic patients" has been approved for a joint project between the NSLIJHS, University of Michigan and the University of Wisconsin. Participants include: Sunil P. Singh MD, Haisam Ismail MD, Zia Rab MD, Joel Brind PhD, and Donna Marchant MD.

Alumni Dinner at ACC

If you’re planning to attend the ACC in Washington, DC, join us for dinner on Saturday night, March 29th, at District Commons Restaurant. If you haven’t received an Evite, contact Donna Marchant for more details. dmarchan@nshs.edu.

ACC Alumni Dinner
2013 in San Francisco
Destinations of Recent Grads

Dr. Anemona Anghel
NSLIJ Interventional Fellowship 2013-2014

Dr. Anthony Cedrone
NSLIJ Interventional Fellowship 2013-2014

Dr. Shalin Desai
Columbia University EP Fellowship

Dr. Orlando Fuschetto
Downstate Interventional Training Program 2013-2014

Dr. Joshua Klein
Private Practice: Cohen Bergman Klepper MDs, Huntington, NY

Dr. John Makaryus
Imaging Fellowship at Columbia University

Dr. Gregory Neufeld
Park Avenue Cardiology, Yonkers, NY

Dr. Guruprasad Srinivas
Stonybrook Interventional Fellowship

Dr. Alain Vaval
Princeton University PostDoctoral Policy Program

COMING SOON... Joining the NSLIJHS Cardiology Fellowship, July 2014

Dr. Andrew Persits
From SUNY Downstate, Chief Resident

Dr. Preethi Piriramala
From Hahnemann University Hosp/Drexel University College of Medicine, Philadelphia PA

Dr. Zlata Platsman
From Beth Israel Medical Center, Chief Resident

Dr. Steven Savella from NSLIJ, Chief Resident

Dr. Evan Shlofmitz
From NY Hospital of Queens, Chief Resident

Dr. Shailendra Singh
From Hahnemann University Hosp/Drexel University College of Medicine, Philadelphia PA

Dr. Sookhu Suraj from NSLIJ

Dr. Alexander Volodarskiy From NYU, Chief Resident

Dr. Ji Yang from NSLIJ Residency

Joining the NSLIJHS Interventional Cardiology Fellowship, July 2014

Dr. Pavel Goykhman and Dr. Dan Sraow
Alumni Updates

Class of 1985  Dr. Stephen Green is now the Director of Interventional Cardiology at Winthrop University Hospital.

Class of 2007 Dr. Kunjan Bhatt has served for 5 years as Medical Director and now specializes in CHF in Austin, TX.

Class of 2008 Dr. Lawrence Phillips was elected as Governor for the New York State Chapter of ACP.

Class of 2008 Dr. Eugenia Gianos is now the Director of the Preventive Cardiology Fellowship at NYU Langone.

Class of 2008 Dr. Gregory Pontone is a faculty member of Noninvasive Cardiology at NYH of Queens.

Class of 2010 Dr. Kiki Poumpouridis has left NUMC and joined to Lenox Hill as an Interventional Cardiologist with a practice in Astoria.

Class of 2010 Dr. Jonathan Vafai, has expanded his practice in Florida to Delray Beach and Boynton Beach.

Class of 2012 Dr. Puneet Gandotra joined the NSLIJ Interventional Cardiology faculty and is now practicing at Southside Hospital in Bay Shore.

Class of 2013 Interventional Cardiology graduate, Dr. Avneet Singh, will be joining our family in Interventional Cardiology at Nassau University Medical Center. Dr. Samantha Kapphahn, also a 2013 Interventional Cardiology Graduate, is now practicing in North Dakota.

Recent Awards and Recognitions


Congratulations to our fellows for their outstanding achievements in receiving the following Teitelbaum Research Awards:

1st Place: A Novel Predictor of Contrast-induced Nephropathy following Percutaneous Coronary Intervention. Venkatesan Vidi, MD

2nd Place: Cracking the Code: Using Multidetector Cardiac Computed Tomography to Evaluate Gender Differences in Coronary Atherosclerosis. John Makaryus, MD

3rd Place: Red Blood Cell Distribution Width Is a Predictor of Readmission in Cardiac Patients. Georges Ephrem, MD

News from Home

On June 3, 2013, Dr. Michelle Goodger welcomed a little boy, Weston.

Dr. Scott Schwarz (Class of 2010) and his wife Alona had a baby girl August 22nd, 2013, Kate Olivia

Dr. Jeannie Yu had baby boy March 13, 2014.

Nuptials

Dr. Greg Glover was married over the summer in California.

Dr. David Fishman was married on Presidents Day in New York.

Dr. Whitney Lennon will be celebrating her marriage in Spring 2014.

Dr. Joseph Vozzolo is engaged to be married!

Bon Voyage!

Dinner party for Dr. Green to celebrate his dedication to the cardiac program.