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| **YOUR DEPARTMENT NEWS** | | | **UTMB NEWS** | |
| **Office of Student Affairs**  Big Shout Out to Dr. Levine and her team:  Tammy Bird  Rita Copado  Dr. Richard Carroll  Valerie Carmichael  LaTanya Neely  Theresa Silva  Trea Smith  for an incredible job organizing a successful 2020 Texas Association of Advisors for the Health Professions (TAAHP) Conference that took place last Thursday and Friday at Moody Gardens. Special thanks to Stephen Wilson and Isaac Ohalete for creating the online database!  There were over 280 registrants and multiple vendor sponsors.  **Academic Affairs**  Please take a moment to recognize the following University of Texas Medical Branch School of Medicine faculty, staff, and students who will be presenting their work at “ The 2020 Innovations in Health Science Education Conference, “Celebrate Education” <https://www.uth.tmc.edu/ShineAcademy/PDFs/2020_Agenda.pdf>  Dr. Michael Ainsworth  Dr. Judy Aronson  Dr. Era Buck  Dr. Marie Dawlett  Ms. Sarah Dolezal  Dr. Lisa Elferink  Dr. Kathleen Everling  Dr. Miles Farr  Ms. Elizabeth Freeman  Dr. F. Marconi Monteiro  Ms. Berengaria Navarre  Dr. Premal Patel  Dr. Norma Perez  Dr. Dawnelle Schatte  Dr. Stacy Shields  Dr. Victor Sierpina  Dr. Karen Szauter  Dr. Holly West  Ms. Ni Zhang  **Office of Educational Development**  Food for thought from OED:  *The capacity to learn is a gift.*  *The ability to learn is a skill.*  *The willingness to learn is a choice.*  Brian Herbert  **Educational Affairs**  **Congratulations to Dr. Miles Farr**  **for receiving the 2019**  **Department of Medicine Alumni Teaching Award!**    **\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\***  AMT SHOUT OUT cid:image009.png@01D5DD01.F465B670  Please join us in congratulating Dr. Rastellini for being recognized by Peers and Students as the **Educator of the month for February 2020**!  cid:image010.jpg@01D5DD01.F465B670    cid:image006.png@01D5DB50.3E66AA80  **Contest details to follow….** | | | **You’re Invited—UTMB Clear Lake Campus Pediatric Inpatient Unit and Emergency Department opening:**  UTMB employees are invited to help celebrate the opening of the new Pediatric Inpatient Unit and Emergency Department on the UTMB Clear Lake Campus on Feb. 18 from 4 to 6 p.m. The new unit, a collaboration between UTMB and Children’s Memorial Hermann, is located on the 8th floor of the Clear Lake Campus Hospital, 200 Blossom St. in Webster. Remarks will take place at 4:15 p.m. and a reception and tours will follow. RSVP for the event by emailing [events@utmb.edu](mailto:events@utmb.edu) or calling (409) 747-6735.  **Nominations sought for Woman Trailblazer Award:**  In honor of Women’s History Month, UTMB’s Women’s Resource Group and the UTMB Diversity Council are seeking nominations for the Trailblazer Award, which will recognize a woman in the UTMB community and surrounding area who has modeled excellence and has had a positive impact in the community she serves. **The deadline to submit nominations is Feb. 12.**The Trailblazer Award winner will be recognized at the Women’s Day Celebration on March 4, which is scheduled from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Levin Hall Dining Room on the Galveston Campus. For more information about the Women’s Resource Group and the Trailblazer Award, visit <https://hr.utmb.edu/diversity/women/> or email [events@utmb.edu](mailto:events@utmb.edu).    **REMINDER**  **Town Hall meeting on Feb. 14**:  Please plan to attend the next Town Hall meeting, hosted by UTMB President ad interim Dr. Ben G. Raimer, on Feb. 14 from noon to 1 p.m. in the Levin Hall Main Auditorium on the Galveston Campus. Dr. Raimer plans to provide updates on UTMB's financial performance, the latest in construction from our campuses as well as mission-specific updates for patient care, education and research. For more information and viewing options, visit <https://utmb.us/3rb>.  **Patient centeredness tip of the week:**  At UTMB, we are focused on delivering a patient experience characterized by high quality, compassion and respect. The patient experience is the sum of all interactions a patient has while in our care and is shaped by UTMB’s culture; it influences their perception across the continuum of care. Everyone at UTMB impacts the patient experience in some way. Consider how body language, tone and other social cues may be perceived by patients. We can all demonstrate compassionate care by being supportive of patients and their families. Listen to their concerns and find ways to alleviate fears they may have. And remember: Every detail about us reflects our attitude about patient care! This week, consider asking a colleague to give you informal feedback on how well you interacted with a patient or look for ways your team can better support an exceptional patient experience.  **Volunteers needed to help plan this year’s Nurses and Health System Week at UTMB:**  If you are interested in becoming part of a multidisciplinary team that will plan events for this year’s Nurses and Health System Week (held in May, with dates to be announced), please join the Nursing Retention Council at an initial planning session on Feb.13 from 8:30 to 9 a.m. The session will be held in Jennie Sealy Hospital on the Galveston Campus, Conference Room 2.410D (by Einstein Bros. Bagels). The team will focus on recognizing UTMB employees at all campuses for their commitment to excellence and quality patient care. For more information, contact Melissa Gonzalez at [mkgonzal@utmb.edu](mailto:mkgonzal@utmb.edu).**REMINDER**  **Epic Storyboard is almost here—Prepare now:**  Storyboard expands on the concept of the patient header, providing a more comprehensive summary of the patient’s health and their current needs. This means that you will be able to quickly review key data and take action without switching screens. Storyboard will go live on Feb. 11 at 5:30 a.m. If you’re active in the Epic system during the changeover, please log out of Epic, close the Epic window and relaunch the Epic icon. Get the details by visiting <http://intranet.utmb.edu/emr/storyboard-information> for more information.  **Cunningham receives NIH HEAL initiative grant:**  Dr. Kathryn Cunningham, professor and vice chairman in the Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology and director of UTMB’s Center for Addiction Research, has received a five-year, $5 million grant through the National Institutes of Health’s Helping to End Addiction Long-term (HEAL) initiative, which is aimed at tackling the national opioid crisis. The NIH initiative is focused on improving treatments for chronic pain while curbing the rates of opioid use disorder and overdose and achieving long-term recovery from opioid addiction. To learn more about the HEAL initiative, visit <https://heal.nih.gov>. | |
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