Dr. J. Edward Hill Inducted Into UMMC Medical Alumni Hall of Fame

J. Edward Hill, M.D., was part of the inaugural class inducted into the University of Mississippi Medical Center Medical Alumni Chapter Hall of Fame. The Hall of Fame Awards will be presented annually to five outstanding medical alumni and/or faculty who have made outstanding contribution to their country, state or the University of Mississippi Medical Center through their good deeds, services or contributions.

Dr. Hill serves as program director of the Family Medicine Residency Program at North Mississippi Medical Center in Tupelo.

A board-certified family physician, Dr. Hill ran a private practice in the rural Mississippi Delta for 27 years. NMMC employed Dr. Hill to establish its Family Medicine Residency Program in January 1995. He served as program director for seven years before stepping down as director to devote more time to leadership commitments for national and international medical organizations. He became program director again in 2011.

Dr. Hill has been very active in leadership positions in medical organizations. He was elected three times to the American Medical Association Board of Trustees, becoming its chair in 2002, elected president-elect in 2004 and assumed the presidency in June 2005. He then served on the Council of the World Medical Association from 2002 until 2011, serving as chair from 2008 through 2011.

In addition to his active participation in the AMA, Dr. Hill served as chair of the Board of Trustees and president of Mississippi State Medical Association, president of the Mississippi Academy of Family Physicians and president of the Southern Medical Association.

Dr. Jim Rish Named MSMA President

James Rish, M.D., pulmonologist at NMMC, was recently elected president of the Mississippi State Medical Association for 2013-2014.

Dr. Rish received his medical training at the University of Mississippi School of Medicine. He completed his internship and residency in internal medicine at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, where he also completed a fellowship in pulmonary and critical care medicine. Dr. Rish is board certified in Internal Medicine, Pulmonary Medicine and Critical Care.

Saltillo Medical Clinic Welcomes New Provider

Saltillo Medical Clinic welcomes new physician Marcus Ueltschey, M.D.

Dr. Ueltschey received his bachelor’s degree in chemistry from Mississippi College, and his medical training from the University of Mississippi School of Medicine in Jackson. He completed a family medicine residency at Greenville Hospital System in Greenville, S.C.

He most recently worked with the Christian Missionary Society in Trujillo, Peru. He has also served as a volunteer and board member for the Antone Tannehill Good Samaritan Free Clinic in Tupelo, and a volunteer for the Parkgate Crisis Pregnancy Center.

Fulton Medical Clinic Welcomes New Provider

Fulton Medical Clinic welcomes new physician Ben Kilman, M.D.

Dr. Kilman graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor’s degree in biology of medical sciences from Mississippi College in Clinton. He received his medical training from the University of Mississippi School of Medicine in Jackson.
Jackson. He recently completed his family medicine residency at the NMMC Family Medicine Residency Center.

Dr. Kilman has gone on medical mission trips and volunteered at the Jackson Free Clinic serving the homeless and uninsured.

**Baldwyn Medical Clinic Welcomes New Provider**

Baldwyn Medical Clinic welcomes new physician Kevin Abel, M.D.

Dr. Abel received his bachelor's degree in biological sciences from Mississippi State University in Starkville, and his medical training from the University of Mississippi School of Medicine in Jackson. He recently completed his family medicine residency at the NMMC Family Medicine Residency Center, where he served as chief resident.

**IMA-Tupelo Welcomes New Physician**

IMA-Tupelo welcomes new physician Stephanie Warner, M.D., Ph.D.

Dr. Warner received her bachelor's degree and her master's degree in epidemiology and biostatistics from McGill University in Canada. She completed her Ph.D. at the Department of Epidemiology at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. She then received her medical training at the University of Miami in Florida. She is board certified in internal medicine.

**Surgery Associates, P.A. Welcomes New Physician**

Surgery Associates, P.A., is pleased to welcome new physician Stephen McAdory, M.D.

Dr. McAdory received a bachelor's degree in biology from Mississippi College in Clinton, and completed his medical training at the University of Mississippi School of Medicine in Jackson. He recently completed his general surgery residency at the Greenville Hospital System University Medical Center in South Carolina, where he served as administrative chief resident. While in medical school, he was a member of the surgery scholars program.

**North Mississippi Sports Medicine and Orthopaedic Clinic Welcomes New Physician**

North Mississippi Sports Medicine and Orthopaedic Clinic is pleased to announce the association of Gabriel Rulewicz, M.D.

Dr. Rulewicz graduated with honors from Birmingham-Southern College, and then attended medical school at the University of Mississippi School of Medicine in Jackson. He completed an orthopedic surgery residency at the University of Mississippi Medical Center. He then served in the United States Air Force for four years as an orthopedic surgeon, including a deployment to Iraq. Dr. Rulewicz was honorably discharged from the Air Force in 2011 and pursued further training in orthopedic sports medicine at The Steadman Hawkins Clinic of the Carolinas. He is board certified in orthopedic surgery.

**Digestive Health Specialists Welcomes New Physician**

Digestive Health Specialists welcomes new physician William Garrett Ogg, M.D.

Dr. Ogg graduated summa cum laude with a bachelor's degree in microbiology from Mississippi State University in Starkville. He completed his medical training at the University of Mississippi School of Medicine in Jackson, and an internal medicine residency at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville. He recently completed a fellowship in gastroenterology at the University of Louisville in Kentucky, where he served as chief fellow.

**North Mississippi Medical Clinics Welcome New Urgent Care Provider**

North Mississippi Medical Clinics welcomes William Jennings, M.D. to the three Tupelo urgent care clinics.

Dr. Jennings received his bachelor's degree from Delta State University in Cleveland, and received his medical training at the University of Mississippi School of Medicine in Jackson. He recently completed his family medicine residency at the NMMC Family Medicine Residency Center.

**West Point Wound Center Opens**

North Mississippi Medical Center's Advanced Wound Center and Hyperbarics opened a West Point satellite clinic on July 11.

The clinic is at 735 Medical Center Dr. in West Point. Patients are seen at the clinic on Wednesdays between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Some of the advanced treatment options offered include:

- Advanced wound dressings
- Antibiotic therapy
- Conventional wound dressing
• Education and prevention
• Bio-engineered skin tissue applications

For referral information about NMMC’s Advanced Wound Center and Hyperbarics Tupelo and West Point clinics or to make an appointment, call (662) 377-2395 or 1-800-THE-DESK (1-800-843-3375). Or for information online, visit www.nmhs.net/wound_clinic.php

New Nurse Practitioner at Neurology Consultants

Neurology Consultants welcomes Lisa Dabbs, ANP-C. Dabbs received her bachelor’s degree in nursing from Mississippi University for Women and her master’s degree in nursing from South University in Savannah, Ga. She is board certified by the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners.

Neurology Consultants is located inside IMA-Tupelo at 845 S. Madison St. For more information, call (662) 377-3008.

LSVT LOUD and BIG for Parkinson’s Disease

Two therapists at NMMC Outpatient Rehabilitation Services at Longtown recently became certified in LSVT approaches to treat patients with Parkinson’s Disease.

Neva Stacy, speech-language pathologist, recently became certified in LSVT LOUD treatment.

LSVT LOUD is a program for treating the voice and speech disorders in patients with Parkinson’s Disease. This is the first speech treatment with Level 1 evidence and established efficacy for treating voice and speech disorders in individuals with Parkinson’s Disease, with application to other neurological disorders.

This program improves the voice and the speech of individuals with Parkinson’s Disease by treating the underlying physical pathology associated with the disordered voice. Treatment focuses on improving vocal loudness and immediate carryover into daily communication, enabling patients to maintain and/or improve their oral communication. Ninety percent of patients improve vocal loudness from pre-test to post treatment. Approximately 80 percent of patients maintain treatment improvement for 12-24 months post-treatment. All patients report an improvement in their ability to communicate.

Lee Ann Holt, physical therapist, became certified in LSVT BIG. It is a research-based exercise approach developed based in the LOUD approach. LSVT BIG treatment trains a single target of amplitude. Research has document improved ratings on tests of motor functioning following treatment. Improvements include faster walking with bigger steps, improved balance and increased trunk rotation. It consists of 16 sessions in one month. LSVT BIG techniques train individuals with Parkinson’s and other neurological conditions to use bigger movements anywhere, anytime in daily living.

To make a referral or for more information, call (662) 377-7215.

New Publication


IRB Renews Study

The NMHS Institutional Review Board (IRB) currently oversees more than 100 biomedical and behavioral studies. The IRB meets monthly and the following study was renewed at the July 19 meeting.

Study Renewal:
Study: A Phase II, Multicenter, Randomized, Double-blind, Placebo-controlled, Parallel-group Study Evaluating the Efficacy and Safety of Ustekinumab in Subjects with Primary Biliary Cirrhosis who had an Inadequate Response to Ursodeoxycholic Acid (UDCA) (CNT01275PBC2001)

Investigators: John Phillips, M.D. (PI); Digestive Health Specialists

Summary: The purpose of this study is to determine whether or not treatment with ustekinumab improves symptoms and abnormal liver tests of primary biliary cirrhosis and also to look for any possible side effects in patients with this disease. Enrollment is open.
Continuing Medical Education

The CME Program is based in the NMMC Education Department and works to provide quality educational programming that will meet general as well as specific professional needs. Please call (662) 377-3826 or the Consult Line at 1-800-952-8101 if you have CME comments and/or suggestions. Select CME programs are by invitation only and are also subject to change.


August 16 • Medical Ethics Committee
Alternative Medicine: Medical Myth or Medical Secret
Richmond McCarty, D.O.
7:30 a.m.
NMMC East Tower, Room 21
Call (662) 377-4115 for more information.

August 22 • ACLS 1-Day Recertification
8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
NMMC North Education Center
For more information, call (662) 377-3421.

August 23-25 • Aiming for the Best Outcomes Outcomes Conference 2012
Pickwick Landing State Park
For more information or to register, visit www.nmhs.net, and click on “Physician Portal,” then “Continuing Medical Education,” or call (662) 377-3881.

September 6 • PALS Provider Course
8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
NMMC North Education Center
For more information, call (662) 377-3421.

September 7 • Neuro/Radiology Case Studies
Hunt Bobo, M.D., and Robert Becker, M.D.
1 p.m.
NMMC North Education Center Room 7/8

September 14 • 2012 Geriatric Conference
8 a.m.
NMMC North Education Center Auditorium

September 20 • Medical Ethics Committee
Domestic & Workplace Violence in a Health Care Setting
Kenneth Wheeler, NMMC Director of Security
7:30 a.m.
NMMC East Tower, Room 21
Call (662) 377-4115 for more information.

September 20-21 • ACLS 2-Day Provider Course
8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
NMMC North Education Center
For more information or to register, call (662) 377-3421.