

Dr. Cassie Hill Elected Chair of NMMC Medical Staff

Cassie Hill, M.D., was recently elected chair of the North Mississippi Medical Center medical staff for 2019.



Dr. Hill is an obstetrician/ gynecologist on staff at NMMC. She is in private practice at Sanders Clinic for Women in Tupelo, where she has worked since 2008.

She received her bachelor's degree in biological engineering from Mississippi State University in 1999. She completed her medical degree in 2003, and her obstetrics and gynecology residency in 2007 at the University of Mississippi Medical Center in Jackson.

She is board certified by the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

Dr. Condit Returns as NMMC Rehabilitation Institute Medical Director

NMMC-Tupelo welcomes back
Brian E. Condit,
M.D., as medical director of the
Rehabilitation
Institute.



Dr. Condit, a physical medicine and rehabilitation physician, served as medical director of the Rehabilitation Institute from June 2004 until December 2014. He is returning to Tupelo after serving four years as vice president/chief medical officer for the Northeast Market of Mountain States Health Alliance. There he worked with the medical staff and administration of Johnston Memorial Hospital, Russell County Medical Center and Smyth County Community Hospital in Virginia.

Dr. Condit received his bachelor's degree in biology from the University of Arizona in Tucson and completed his medical training at the University of Arizona College of Medicine in Tucson. He completed his internship, as well as internal medicine and physical medicine and rehabilitation residencies, at St. Francis Medical Center in Pittsburgh, Pa. Dr. Condit served as chief resident during his internal medicine residency.

Dr. Condit helped found NMMC's Physician Leadership Institute in 2011 and served as its director through 2014. He is also a Baldrige Fellow and played a key role when both NMMC and NMHS won Baldrige awards.

Dr. Condit is a Fellow of the American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation and is board certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine and American Board of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation. He is a Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives.

NMMC, Children's of Mississippi Tupelo Earn Pediatric Echocardiography Accreditation by IAC

NMMC's Heart and Vascular Institute, NMMC Women's Hospital and Children's of Mississippi Tupelo have all been granted a three-year term of accreditation by the Intersocietal Accreditation Commission (IAC) in Echocardiography in the area of Pediatric Transthoracic. Aside from the University of Mississippi Medical Center in Jackson, these facilities are the only ones statewide accredited for pediatric transthoracic echocardiography.

Accreditation by the IAC means a facility has undergone an intensive application and review process and is found to be in compliance with the published standards, thus demonstrating a commitment to quality patient care in echocardiography. Comprised of a detailed self-evaluation followed by a thorough review by a panel of medical experts, the IAC accreditation process enables both the critical operational and technical components of the applicant facility to be assessed, including representative case studies and their corresponding final reports.

Foley Achieves CVNP Certification

Lisa Foley, DNP, has achieved Certified Cardiovascular Nurse Practitioner designation from the American Board of Cardio-



vascular Medicine. Foley is a nurse practitioner with NMMC's Chest Pain Center.



NMMC Heart and Vascular Institute



NMMC Women's Hospital



Children's of Mississippi Tupelo

Foley earned her bachelor's degree in nursing in 1987 and her master's degree in nursing in 1999, both from Mississippi University for Women. She completed her doctorate in nursing at the University of Alabama in 2014. She joined the NMMC staff in 2008.

NMMC Cancer Care Welcomes New Nurse Practitioners

NMMC Cancer Care recently welcomed two new nurse practitioners, Tiffany Gillespie, FNP-C, and Jessica Glidewell, FNP-C.

Gillespie received her associate degree in nursing from Itawamba Community College, and her bachelor's degree



in nursing from the Mississippi University for Women. She completed her master's degree in nursing and family nurse practitioner training at the University of Mississippi Medical Center.

Glidewell received her associate degree in nursing from Northeast Mississippi Community College, and her



master's degree in nursing from Walden University. She recently completed her advanced practice fellowship at NMMC.

NMMC Therapists Receive Stroke Certification

Occupational therapist Kelly Lamb, OTR/L, and physical

therapist Amy Bruce, DPT, have recently been designated as Certified Stroke Rehabilitation Specialists by the National Stroke Association.

Both therapists work in NMMC's Rehabilitation Institute, a 30-bed intensive inpatient rehabilitation unit. The therapists completed a series of four hands-on training seminars and successfully passed a certification examination. To maintain current certification, they will be required to complete continuing education specific to stroke every two years.

Lamb holds a bachelor's degree in biology from Mississippi College. He earned a master's degree in occupational therapy



from the University of Alabama at Birmingham in 2004 and also holds a graduate certificate in low vision rehabilitation. Lamb joined the NMMC Rehabilitation Institute staff in January 2005.

Bruce earned a bachelor's degree in kinesiology with a minor in psychology from Freed-Hardeman University in Henderson,



Tenn., in 2008. She earned her doctoral degree in physical therapy from the University of Tennessee Health Science Center in Memphis in 2011. She joined the NMMC Rehabilitation Institute staff later that year.

IRB Approves, Renews Studies

The NMHS Institutional Review Board (IRB) currently oversees more than 80 biomedical and behavioral studies. The IRB meets monthly and the following studies were approved and renewed at the February meeting.

New Studies:

Study: A Phase II Study to
Investigate the Safety and Efficacy
of ABBV-105 Given Aloneor in
Combination with Upadacitinib
(ABBV-599 Combination) with a
Background of Conventional
Synthetic DMARDs in Subjects
with Active Rheumatoid Arthritis
with Inadequate Response or
Intolerance to Biologic DMARDs
(M16-063)

Investigators: Charles King, M.D. (PI); Srikanth Mukkera, M.D. Summary: The purpose of this study is to evaluate the safety and effectiveness of ABBV-105 alone or ABBV-105 in combination with upadacitinib versus placebo along with the concomitantuse of csDMARDs for the treatment of signs and symptoms of rheumatoid arthritis.

Study: Blood Sample Collection to Evaluate Biomarkers in Subjects with Untreated Solid Tumors (ES2018-01)

Investigators: Paschal Wilson, M.D. (PI); Andrew Kellum, M.D.; Charles Montgomery, M.D.; Jiahuai Tan, M.D.; Ashley Gilliland, NP; Jessica Glidewell, NP; and Tammy Pelegrin, NP. Summary: The purpose of this study is to collect blood samples to better understand the biomarkers of patients with breast, lung, colorectal, prostate, bladder, uterine, kidney, pelvis, pancreatic, liver, stomach, ovarian or esophageal cancer.

Study: Scoreflex NC – Scoring PTCA Catheter – A Prospective, Open-label, Multicenter, Singlearm, Observational Study Designed to Evaluate the Safety and Device Procedural Success of the Scoreflex NC Scoring PTCA
Catheter in Subjects with Stenotic
Coronary Arteries during
Percutaneous Coronary
Intervention (VP-0730)
Investigators: Benjamin Blossom,

Investigators: Benjamin Blossom, M.D. (PI); Joseph Adams, M.D.; Dane Ballard, M.D.; and Barry Bertolet, M.D.

Summary: The purpose of this study is to determine if the Scoreflex NC Scoring PTCA catheter can help to restore blood flow in narrowed heart arteries.

Study: COBRA REDUCE – Cobra PzF Stenting to Reduce the Duration of Triple Therapy in Patients Treated with Oral Anticoagulation Undergoing Percutaneous Coronary Intervention (COBRA 2015-01) Investigators: Barry Bertolet, M.D. (PI); Joseph Adams, M.D.; Dane Ballard, M.D.; Benjamin Blossom, M.D.; Roger Williams, M.D.; Chris Bell, ACNP; Lee Ferguson, ACNP; Wanda Ikeda, DNP; Katie McDuffie, CNP

Summary: The purpose of this study is to collect information about the safety and effectiveness of the COBRA PzF Coronary Stent System in the treatment of new lesions in native coronary arteries with a shortened duration of dual antiplatelet therapy.

Study Renewal:

Study: A Multicenter, Doubleblind, Long-term Extension Study to Assess the Safety and Efficacy of Filgotinib in Subjects with Rheumatoid Arthritis (GS-US-417-0304)

Investigators: Charles King, M.D. (PI); Srikanth Mukkera, M.D. **Summary:** The purpose of this study is to determine if filgotinib is safe and useful in long-term treatment of rheumatoid arthritis. Enrollment is open.



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March 21 2019 Social Work Conference

7:30 a.m.
NMMC North Education Center
Free for NMMC employees, \$50 for non-NMMC employees
Call (662) 377-3546 for more information or to register.

April 10-11 ACLS 2-Day Provider Course

NMMC North Education Center Call (662) 377-3448 to register or for more information.

April 19 Neuro/Radiology Case Studies

Noon NMMC North Education Center Room 7/8

May 3-4 2019 Family Medicine Update

8 a.m.
Pickwick Landing State Park
Call (662) 377-7239 for more information
or to register.