A Message from our
CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER

Dear Midtown Provider,

Spring is here and time for new beginnings. I am pleased to launch this first newsletter which will be published regularly going forward. It is my hope to summate key initiatives & general information that is provider-focused. In the last several months we have seen much advancement on many fronts. A few worth mentioning:

- Just culture training for all clinical leaders;
- Growth of safety event reporting
- Reduction in Hospital Acquired Infections (HAI)
- Volume growth—transfers from our UMMC downtown campus continue to grow
- Joint commission site visit Feb 5-8 and re-survey completed with full accreditation
- Welcome to numerous new providers joining the Midtown family and to the Oral Maxillofacial surgeons whose specialty is new to us

As we plan our initiatives for next year, I welcome all of your input as we work together on our journey to be a high reliability organization.

Thanks,

Janine Good, MD

Quality and Safety

Hundreds of lives are in your hands.
PLEASE
WASH THEM.

Please wash with soap and water as instructed (or as needed) or use the liquid hand sanitizer provided throughout the medical center.
UMMC Midtown’s FY19 Q2 Pay for Performance indicates we have met our optimum target for Mortality, MHAC (Maryland Hospital Acquired Conditions) and RRIP (Readmission Reduction Incentive Program). As a high reliability organization, we continue our collaborative journey to improve in Patient Experience through the new “Get To Know Me Boards” and, improve in Patient Safety through our goal of ZERO HARM.

UMMC-Midtown Campus: Quality Based Reimbursement HAIs

**Quality Based Reimbursement HAI:** includes the following categories of infections: catheter associated bloodstream infections (CLABSI), catheter associated urinary tract infections (CAUTI), MRSA bacteremia and Clostridioides difficile (CDI) through February.
CMS Hospital Star rating compares hospitals based on how they perform in comparison to hospital throughout the U.S to allow patients to choose the highest quality hospital to meet their needs. On February 2019, CMS officially ranked UMMC – Midtown Campus from a 2 star rating to a 3 star rating. Our areas of opportunities include Readmissions, Patient Experience and Timeliness of Care. According to CMS, UMMC Midtown Campus was ranked “better than the national average” for Mortality (weighted at 22%). Midtown also scored Above the National Average in 2 new categories, “Efficient Use of Imaging” and “Effectiveness of Care” (weighted at 4%).

### Announcements and Reminders

- **Congratulations to Dr. Kofi Owusu!**
  Dr. Owusu was voted Midtown’s Physician of the Year for 2019.

- **Congratulations to Dr. Stephanie Knight** for winning Physician Colleague of the Year during Nurses’ Week - presented to an attending physician who collaborates with nurses toward the goal of excellence in patient care in a professional and positive manner.

- **Click here** to nominate a physician for Baltimore Magazine’s Top Doctor.

- Oral Maxillofacial Surgery cases transitioning to the Midtown Campus.

- Formalized Limb Preservation Program on the Midtown Campus is underway.

### Epic Tips and Tools
SmartPhrase note templates contain embedded SmartLinks that, at times, pull unwanted text into your notes. A problematic example of this is when a SmartLink pulls in the following for Family History: “No family history on file.” This statement will collapse the value of your note. You can edit it as follows:

- Put the cursor over the unwanted text and right click, then select “Make selected text editable.” You can edit the text the way you would edit a Word document. For instance, delete the pulled in unwanted statement and free text, “Patient’s mother has hypertension.” – if, in fact, she does.

Remember that you are responsible for all the text in your notes – even what is pulled in. If you sign it, you own it. Also, even though you edited the pulled in text in this note, that Family History SmartLink will continue to pull in “No family history on file” in all future notes until someone goes into the Family History section and adds the diagnosis of Hypertension to the patient’s mother.

**Newly Practicing Physicians**

*Welcoming new physicians who have joined the University of Maryland Medical Center Midtown Campus January - April 2019*

January Appointments
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