

## FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Greetings from the Department of Orthopaedics & Rehabilitation! Our new academic year is in full swing and we invite all attendings to participate in orthopedic Grand Rounds in our new Resident Education room on 4<sup>th</sup> Floor South.



The Bone and Joint Hospital of Queens is taking further steps toward preventing surgical site infections (SSI). Due to the collaborative efforts of the Department of Orthopaedics & Rehabilitation, Pre-Admission Testing and Pre-Operative Services, we now provide patients who are undergoing a total joint arthroplasty (hips and knees only) with chlorhexidine gluconate (CHG) impregnated sponges. The CHG sponges are to be used as an antiseptic soap for skin cleansing. This is in line with the current recommendations of Project Joints (Joining Organizations In Tackling SSIs) that are advocating three new practices as part of the enhanced surgical site infection prevention bundle.

On October 28, 2011, we held our 1<sup>st</sup> Annual CME Symposium "Comprehensive Care of the Pediatric and Adolescent Athlete" in the Lang Auditorium. We would like to thank everyone who came to learn and support us; we hope to have an even bigger turnout next year!

Please continue to share with us your news and ideas for future editions! We are specifically interested in patient comments on how to improve the patient experience with us. For any and all comments, please contact me at [rosenje@nyp.org](mailto:rosenje@nyp.org).

## SPECIALIZING IN:

### **ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY**

General Orthopaedics  
Hand & Upper Extremity  
Injection Therapy  
Joint Preservation Surgery  
Orthopaedic Spine  
Orthopaedic Trauma  
Pediatric Orthopaedics  
Sports Medicine & Arthroscopic Surgery  
Total Joint Arthroplasty

### **REHABILITATION MEDICINE**

EMG/Neurodiagnostic Testing  
Occupational Therapy  
Pain Management & Rehabilitation Medicine  
Physical Therapy  
*Including Lymphedema and Vestibular Rehabilitation*

## LOCATIONS:

New York Hospital Queens  
56-45 Main Street, 4th Floor South  
Flushing, NY 11355  
Main Line: 718-670-2558

NYHQ Center for Orthopaedics & Rehabilitation  
Medicine  
163-03 Horace Harding Expressway, 2nd Floor  
Fresh Meadows, NY 11365  
Main Line: 866-670-OUCH (6824)

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## DEPARTMENT NEWS

- We are happy to announce that we are in plans to expand to a new location! Currently, our offsite location, 163-03 Horace Harding Expressway on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, holds the outpatient physical and occupational therapy services as well as practice of New York Queens Medicine and Surgery, PC (Orthopaedics & Rehabilitation) (NYQMS, PC). This summer, the outpatient physical and occupational therapy services take over the entire 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, NYQMS, PC (Orthopaedics & Rehabilitation) is making plans to move to the 4<sup>th</sup> floor, thus doubling our clinical space! These two floors will allow for more patient visits as well as the potential to hire more physicians and increase patient access.
- National PA (Physician Assistant) Week is observed each year from October 6-12. The week serves to celebrate the significant impact PAs continue to make in health care, to expand awareness of the profession and to salute the outstanding growth of the PA profession. On behalf of the Department, we hope that all NYHQ PAs, especially our orthopaedic PAs, had a great week!
- We would like to congratulate Jean-Marie Julien, PA, Administrative PA, who has completed his 20<sup>th</sup> year of service to New York Hospital Queens. He has been a PA in the Department of Orthopaedics & Rehabilitation since 1996. Recently, he was selected as an honoree for the Healthcare Chaplaincy Wholeness of Life Award; this award is given to a healthcare provider who exemplifies excellence in patient care and in treating the patient as a whole.
- Congratulations to Dr. Alexander Golant and Dr. Tony Quach for passing their boards! They are now board certified orthopaedic surgeons, certified by the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery (ABOS).
- Dr. Golant taught as an Associate Master Instructor at an Arthroscopy Association of North America (AANA) Masters Course in Chicago on August 18-19.
- Dr. Goldwyn was invited to be a Faculty Instructor at the AO “Arbeitsgemeinschaft für Osteosynthese” (Association for the Study of Osteosynthesis) Advanced Principles of Operative Fracture Management course in Boston in September 2011.
- Dr. Rosen has accepted the position of 2012 Arthritis Foundation Arthritis Walk Committee Chair, to be held on Sunday May 20, 2012 at Battery Park.
- We would like to extend congratulations to Denise M. Lewinger, MBA and Anita Liu-Chen, OTR/L on their new positions in our Department. Denise is now the Administrative Director, NYQMS, PC (Orthopaedics & Rehabilitation) and Anita is the Rehabilitation Manager, Department of Orthopaedics & Rehabilitation. We wish them all the best in their new positions!

## PHYSICAL THERAPY DAY AT NYHQ!

On October 26, 2011, our physical therapists held a “Physical Therapy Fair” in the New York Hospital Queens main lobby and outside of the cafeteria.

Attendees learned about all of the services provided, plus the latest technology and treatments for vestibular dysfunction, a condition that can cause dizziness and balance disorders.

The fair included free balance testing, exercise demonstrations, educational materials and giveaways.



*Pictured are staff members from inpatient physical therapy, in the Department of Orthopaedics & Rehabilitation.*

## ADMINISTRATOR SPOTLIGHT

BY: JOHN SCIORTINO, FACHE



Healthcare reform, and both the Federal and State budget problems, have created a very challenging, demanding but exciting time in the healthcare industry. Changes can be difficult, but New York Hospital Queens is a very dynamic organization that is constantly adapting to the changing environment to meet these challenges.

Over the past year, the Hospital enhanced the physical environment. It opened a state of the art 170,000 square foot building that included a 10-room ambulatory surgery suite. This provides the space and operating room time necessary to accommodate the increasing surgical demand, including the demand created by the growing clinical program of the Department of Orthopaedics & Rehabilitation. This building also accommodates additional 80-inpatient beds, including new beds for orthopaedic patients along with a new inpatient rehabilitation facility. It also provides the support necessary for the staff to enhance the patient experience and provide the quality of care that our patients expect to receive.

Most recently a 10 bed holding area was opened for the inpatient operating room suite, providing additional comfort and privacy for patients waiting for surgery. Construction has begun on a \$4 million expansion of the Emergency Department; this will enable our Hospital to better accommodate the increasing volume of patient visits.

I believe that through the enhancements to the physical environment along with the clinical program development, in Orthopaedics & Rehabilitation and also in all clinical programs, the Hospital is in a position to be able to capitalize on the challenges that we will face moving forward.

### GET TO KNOW MR. SCIORTINO!

- Mr. Sciortino is Senior Vice President as well as the Chief Operating Officer (COO) here at New York Hospital Queens; he has been in his current position since 1997.
- In 2010, Mr. Sciortino achieved recertification as a Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives (FACHE). This recertification represents his continued achievement in meeting high standards of professional development and excellence as a healthcare executive.

## NOVEMBER 2011

DATE:	TITLE:	GIVEN BY:
11/02/2011	M & M	Orthopaedic PAs
11/09/2011	Pilon Fractures	Orthopaedic Residents
11/16/2011	Musculoskeletal Radiology Conference	Dr. Ari Jonisch
11/23/2011	Pelvis Fractures	Dr. Elan Goldwyn
11/30/2011	Epidural Steroid Injections: Evidence-Based Review of When, Why, How and for Whom	Dr. Jason Hu

## DECEMBER 2011

DATE:	TITLE:	GIVEN BY:
12/07/2011	M & M	Orthopaedic PAs
12/14/2011	Topic: TBD	Orthopaedic Residents
12/21/2011	Orthopaedic Journal Club	Dr. Elan Goldwyn
12/28/2011	Topic: TBD	Orthopaedic Residents Attending TBD

## JANUARY 2012

DATE:	TITLE:	GIVEN BY:
01/04/2012	M & M	Orthopaedic PAs
01/11/2012	Resident Lecture: TBD	Orthopaedic Residents
01/18/2012	Musculoskeletal Radiology Conference	Dr. Ari Jonisch
01/25/2012	Attending Lecture: Topic TBD	Attending TBD

NEW YORK HOSPITAL QUEENS  
56-45 MAIN STREET  
ORTHOPAEDICS RESIDENT  
EDUCATION ROOM  
(FORMER LANG RESEARCH  
CONFERENCE ROOM)

6:45 AM – 7:30 AM  
FRACTURE CONFERENCE  
7:30 AM – 8:15 AM  
GRAND ROUNDS