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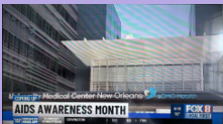
The LSU Department of Medicine Weekly Communication

Dr. Catherine T. Hudson (Gastroenterology) recently served as moderator and presenter at the American College of Gastroenterology (ACG) Annual Scientific meeting. Her symposium was titled "Obesity Pharmacotherapy for the GI Provider: From First Prescription to Long-Term Strategy" and her talk was titled "GLP-1s, Dual Agonists, and What's Next: What Every GI Provider Needs to Know"



Dr. Stephen Landreneau (Gastroenterology) served as faculty leader for a hands-on workshop on Hemorrhoid Therapy at the ACG Scientific Meeting.

October is AIDS Awareness Month



Dr. Lauren Richey (Infectious Disease, Director of the HIV Outpatient Program) was interviewed by WVUE Fox 8 News on October 13 to promote the Open Access Clinic at HOP/UMC. The Open Access Clinic now offers walk-in services five days a week, with care provided by Drs. Lauren Richey, Eric Babineaux, Colten Creel, and Tat Yau. Additionally, the team will deliver an oral presentation on the clinic's 18-month clinical outcomes at IDWeek in Washington, D.C.



<https://www.fox8live.com/video/2026/10/13/lcmc-aids-awareness-month-umc-hiv-outpatient-program/>

Dr. Seth Vignes (Hospital Medicine) coordinated the recent "Cases from LSU Health New Orleans" in the American College of Physicians (ACP) Hospitalist publication. Five cases were highlighted authored by a number of LSU faculty, fellows, residents and former residents.

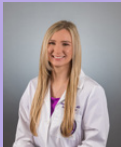
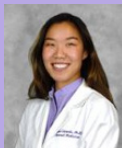
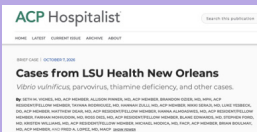
Case 1: *Vibrio vulnificus* bacteremia: Dr. Brandon Ozier (EM-IM Resident), Dr. Tayana Rodriguez (EM-IM Resident), Dr. Hannah Zulli, Dr. Allison Pinner (Hospital Medicine)

Case 2: *Pure red cell aplasia secondary to parvovirus B19*: Dr. Nikki Seraji (IM Resident), Dr. Luke Yesbeck

Case 3: *Thiamine deficiency after bariatric surgery*: Dr. Matthew Dear (IM Resident), Dr. Seth Vignes

Case 4: *Osmotic demyelination from rapid correction of hyperglycemia*: Dr. Hanna Almoaswes (IM Resident), Dr. Farhan Mohiuddin (IM Resident), Dr. Ross Dies (IM Resident), Dr. Blane Edwards (ID Fellow), Dr. Hannah Zulli, Dr. Stephen Ford (Rheumatology), Dr. Allison Pinner

Case 5: *Cavitary lung lesion*: Dr. Kristen Williams (IM Resident), Dr. Michael Modica (Hospital Medicine), Dr. Seth M. Vignes



https://www.acpjournals.org/doi/10.7326/acph-20261007-cases-from-lsu-health-new-orleans?utm_campaign=FY26-27_NEWS_ACPHOSPITALIST_DOMESTIC_100726_EML&utm_medium=email&utm_source=Eloqua

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Dr. Victoria Burke (Infectious Diseases) serves on the USMLE Microbiology and Immunology Test Material Development Committee. The committee recently met at their annual meeting in Philadelphia where they reviewed over 500 new Step 1, 2, and 3 questions created to torment students and residents on various microbes. (Dr. Burke's words, not my own)_

Dr. Keith Van Meter, Dr. Jeffrey Elder, Dr. Dave Rayburn and Dr. Michael Kling from the LSU Division of Emergency Medicine recently attended the EMS World Exposition where a prototype of the hyperbaric ambulance was displayed. The hyperbaric ambulance has been a decade in development starting with the engineers at Vivace Inc. at the NASA MICHOU Assembly plant in New Orleans East. It now meets NFPA and PVHO certification and is awaiting FDA and ASME certification. The hyperbaric trainer ambulance will play an essential role in training paramedics in the safe operational use of the ambulance which will earn its keep making every day conventional runs without pressurization of its patient compartment. It can quickly switch to treat FDA/CMS/UHMS approved indications in transport emergently. The first applications are expected to be for military use and for being on standby for injured divers and carbon monoxide poisoned patients.



The Hyperbaric Ambulance production team is displayed with the hyperbaric ambulance trainer simulation lab at the EMS World Exposition and the in-production military model is also included. The production model is the first in the world to be developed in which the patient compartment is a multiplace hyperbaric chamber which has the same interior configuration as a regular box ambulance.