



What is PA week?

Each year from October 6-12, we celebrate National PA Week, which recognizes the PA profession and its contributions to the nation's health.

This week is also an opportunity to raise awareness and visibility of the profession. Before it was a weeklong event, National PA Day was first celebrated on October 6, 1987, in honor of the 20th anniversary of the first graduating class of PAs from the Duke University PA program. October 6 is also the birthday of the profession's founder, Eugene A. Stead, Jr., MD. Now the profession is 50 years strong!

Trusted for 50 Years...ready for 50 more !

Since 1967, PAs have been improving patient outcomes and moving healthcare forward. Always innovative. Always flexible. Always ready for what's next. As we celebrate the profession's next 50 years, we view challenges as opportunities. Unforeseen circumstances as possibilities. Because PAs have always achieved the extraordinary.

Hurley Medical Center PAs in partnership with our dedicated healthcare professionals are constantly striving to increase awareness of how to make our healthcare system safer, more efficient and accessible, while providing increased quality to patients and value to our community.

They truly embody "clinical excellence and service to people" in their diverse clinical roles & caregiving activities to our patient community. So, check out the various information sheets available to you so you can appreciate, and understand why we, along with our staff celebrate and honor these healthcare professionals during their national PA week.

To our PAs, we the Hurley Family salute them and their profession, wishing them a Happy 50th Anniversary!

Please join the PA Celebration event honoring PAs in the West Lobby on 10/9 at:

7 am to 9:30 am

11am to 1:30 pm

2pm to 4:30 pm

Physician Assistants at Hurley – History and Legacy

Since 1985, Physician Assistants (PAs) have been an integral part of Hurley Medical Center and the Flint community. They have played an integral role in improving patient outcomes and moving healthcare forward. The first department to utilize PAs at Hurley was the Trauma/Surgery Department. Four physician assistants were hired to provide surgical and trauma house staff duties, in conjunction with the attending surgeons, to fill the void after the hospital lost its surgical residency.

Their duties consisted primarily of first assisting in the operating room, performing bedside surgical procedures (Central Venous Access, Chest Tube Placements, etc.), evaluating surgical consults in the Emergency Department and rounding on patients pre- and post- operatively. They did such a fantastic job the hospital soon hired more surgical PAs. Other departments, such as Medicine, OB/GYN, Orthopedic Surgery and Emergency Medicine soon followed. Today, PAs can be found in just about every patient care

department in the hospital as part of the team-based care model.

In 1996, the high level of care provided by the Hurley Surgery/Trauma PAs was sufficient enough for the American College of Surgeons (ACS) to designate Hurley Medical Center as a Level II Trauma Center – one of the first hospitals in the country to be an ACS verified trauma center staffed by PAs and not surgical residents. Four years later, they helped the hospital surpass this accomplishment by becoming an ACS verified Level I Trauma Center – a designation that still stands today.

As professional healthcare givers, our PAs provide supportive services around the clock with other team members to our patients. Let's share with them our appreciation and respect for their selfless commitment to Hurley Medical Center and surrounding community for the past 32 years.

Hurley Professional Staff Anniversaries:

Hurley congratulates the following providers who reached milestone Hurley Professional Staff anniversaries during the month of September.

5 years

Osman Mohamed-Saeed MD

10 years

Shannon Dennis PhD

Brian Hunter MD

Kavita Rajkotia MD

Sweetey Srivastava MD

15 years

Huda Elhwairis MD

40 years

Stephen Burton MD

30 years

Larry Young MD

Hurley recognizes the dedication and commitment of our doctors. As a feature of the Physician Connection, Hurley will acknowledge five (5) year anniversaries each month.

CME Calendar

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION

Terry Thomas Conference & OB/GYN Alumni Event

November 8, 2017 – Wednesday

Holiday Inn Gateway, Flint
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Approved for *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit*™

To register, call: 1.855.310.3627; or, Online:
www.education.hurleymc.com/cme/calendar;
or, Snap the QR code:



SAVE THE DATE!*

Diagnosis & Management of Bladder Cancer

November 29, 2017 – Wednesday

2018 Pediatric Conference

April 10 & 11, 2018 – Tuesday & Wednesday

*All dates are tentative and subject to change based upon speaker availability

CME on Demand is Available!

Please visit www.education.hurleymc.com/cme/calendar to get continuing medical education on demand for the following topics that have been approved for *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit*™

- **Ethical Principles – Choosing Wisely: Is Parsimonius Care “Just” Rationing?**
New Requirement for Licensure Renewal
- **Management of the Chronic Opioid User**
New Requirement for Licensure Renewal
- **Pediatric & Adolescent Obesity – 5210 Let’s Go!**

CME Needs Assessment Survey

In order to ensure the CME Department continues to meet your educational needs, please make sure you complete the CME Needs Assessment Survey by any of the following methods:

- Direct access through the following address: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/N3CQPZ6>
- Visit Hurley Medical Center’s website at: www.hurleymc.com > Education & Research > Continuing Medical Education > “Please take our CME Needs Assessment”
- Any computer in Hurley Medical Center’s Physicians Lounge (non-iSITE). Please look for the “2017 CME Needs Assessment” icon on the desktop screen.
- Visit the Hurley INTRANET Homepage (on any computer at Hurley Medical Center), under Frequently Used Links, click on “CME Needs Assessment Survey.”

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the CME Department at 810.262.9142.

Hurley Foundation News

Mark your Calendar for “Hour of Miracles” on abc 12

Tune in to abc 12 on Monday, October 9, for Hurley Children’s Hospital’s “Hour of Miracles” from 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm. Watch amazing stories. Learn about local and national partners who make a world of difference to Hurley kids. You can also watch online at abc12.com. An Encore Presentation will air on Thursday, October 12, from 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm. #MiraclesHappenAtHurley.

Join us for Pink Night Palooza!

The second annual Pink Night Palooza presented by Hurley Medical Center and founding partner, Financial Plus Credit Union, is on Thursday, October 5th from 6:00 pm – 11:00 pm at the Holiday Inn Gateway Centre.

HELP OUR PATIENTS & COMMUNITY! JOIN THE FALL FOOD DRIVE FOR



PLEASE DONATE HEALTHY, NON-PERISHABLE
FOOD TO HELP STOCK OUR HURLEY
FOOD FARMACY*

DROP OFF YOUR DONATIONS TO THE
HURLEY CAFETERIA:

OCTOBER 16th – NOVEMBER 17th

*The Hurley Food Farmacy provides healthy food and nutrition education for patients who are food insecure and have received a referral.

ALL DONATIONS WELCOME, PLEASE CONSIDER OUR “HEALTHY WISH LIST”
(No glass please)

FOOD ITEMS NEEDED MOST:

Canned fruit packed in water or juice	Peanut Butter
Low sodium canned vegetables	Gluten free/cereal/pasta
Tuna/Chicken packed in water	Shelf stable soy milk
Cold cereal with no added sugar	Protein Bars
Plain instant oatmeal, cream of wheat/grits	

Error Prevention Technique #1

Speak Up for Safety Using ARCC

Use the lightest touch possible...

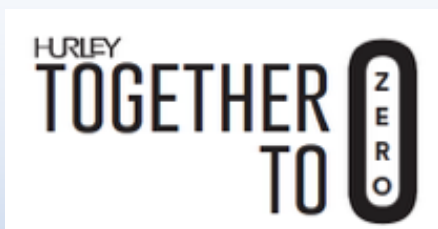
Ask a question

Make a Request

Voice a Concern ("I am concerned that the patient might develop an infection if you don't wash your hands.")

If no success....

Use your Chain of Command



This is a significant concern for me and I promised that I would:

1. listen to others when they expressed a concern to me,
2. have my co-worker's back; remind them of safety protocols; and,
3. Utilize my chain of command for patient safety, if necessary.

Example: Did you remember to wash your hand after you took that phone call? Here is the foam for you to use.

If no success ... continue by saying: This is a significant safety concern to me. I am just not comfortable proceeding if you do not wash your hands.

PLEASE REMEMBER: Daily Safety Huddles are a great time to encourage each other to **ARCC** or ask if anyone had a successful **ARCC**, they would like to share

This is IT

Organizational transformation through technology isn't about turning on new features or new software or giving you the latest gadget. Transformation only happens when people fall in love with the tools they use and those tools have to make their lives easier. That's our goal in IT; to improve the way you work. When you're better our patients are better.

Key Updates

Epic Upgrade to 2017 Version

On the morning of Sunday, October 22, our Epic environment will be upgraded to the latest version of the software, Epic 2017. There will be a downtime associated with the event and we are currently running practice upgrades in our test systems to minimize the interruption. Thanks for those of you that are participating in usability testing and helping us improve our downtime communication processes. Ten Epic Application Developers will come to Hurley during the upgrade to get feedback from you. If you see them in your unit or clinic, tell them what you are struggling with or what would make future upgrades easier.

Shafi Ahmed MD
Mohammad Al-Harastani MD
Ahmed Arif MD
Preetha Balakrishnan MD
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Please Share Your Stories

Please send your stories and photos by the 15th of each month to rwaller1@hurleymc.com, or contact Regina Waller, Director (Physician Services, Continuing Medical Education (CME) and Medical Staff) at **810-262-7302**.

WELCOME NEW PROVIDERS

It is our pleasure to welcome you to Hurley Medical Center and thank you for partnering with us to provide quality healthcare to our patients. We value your commitment and appreciate your service.

Emergency Medicine

**Emily Mathias, MD – Pediatric
Emergency Medicine**

Hurley Emergency Department

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Phone: **810.262.9429** Fax: **810.760.0853**

Lindsey Jackson, PA-C

Hurley Urgent Care – Durand

8759 Monroe Road, Durand, MI 48429

Phone: **810.262.2710** Fax: **989.541.1023**

Medicine

Arun Kottarathara, MD – Nephrology

Kidney Disease & Hypertension

Consultants

2486 Nerredia Street, Suite E,
Flint, MI 48532

Phone: **810.230.9901** Fax: **810.230.9916**

Trailokya Pandit, MD –

Hematology/Oncology

*Genesee Cancer & Blood Disease
Treatment Center, PC*

302 Kensington Avenue, Flint, MI 48503

Phone: **810.762.8400** Fax: **810.762.8118**

Medicine/Pediatrics

Zachary Hillman, DO – Family Medicine

Lapeer Family Care

1794 North Lapeer Road, Suite D,

Lapeer, MI 48446

Phone: **810.245.1800** Fax: **810.262.9956**

Obstetrics/Gynecology

Omari Young MD – Obstetrics

& Gynecology

Hurley Women's Services &

OB/GYN Clinic

1 Hurley Plaza, 9 West, Flint, MI 48503

Phone: **810.262.9751** Fax: **810.262.9659**

Pediatrics

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Cardiology

Donald Malcom MD – Pediatric

Cardiology

Hurley Children's Center

300 East 1st Street, Suite 201,

Flint, MI 48502

Phone: **810.262.9773** Fax: **810.262.7308**

Monica Nafsou, DO – Neonatology

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1 Hurley Plaza, Flint, MI 48503

Phone: **810.262.9026**

Psychiatry

Jenifer Sleight DNP – Doctor

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Hurley Behavioral Medicine

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Surgery

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Karen Speck, MD – Pediatric Surgery

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