

# Montefiore Update

April 27, 2015 KEEPING ASSOCIATES IN THE KNOW

## McKesson Honors Montefiore for App Development Partnership

Montefiore recently collaborated with McKesson, a leading distributor of healthcare technology, medical surgical supplies and pharmaceuticals, on the development of a mobile app that allows for the seamless integration of photographic documentation into patient records. In recognition of Montefiore's vital role in the project, McKesson presented both the health system and Andrew Wollowitz, MD, Medical Director, Wakefield Emergency Department, with honorary recognitions at a recent ceremony at the Wakefield Campus. Dr. Wollowitz and his team have been working closely with McKesson since 2013 to implement a mobile product that would integrate the long-standing practice of using photographs to document patient's injuries and conditions into secure digital patient records. The app allows for "the seamless addition of photographic documentation to patient records," says Michael Macaluso, Director of Product Management for McKesson Technology Solutions. "We knew that in order to implement this product, we had to partner with an organization with a reputation for innovation and technological excellence."



Tabitha McDaniel, Product Manager for McKesson Provider Technologies, presents Andrew Wollowitz, MD, Medical Director, Wakefield Emergency Department, with an honorary recognition for his leading role in the app development.

The app has the potential to be implemented across the entire health system, but will be particularly useful for the Child Advocacy Center (CAC). In cases of suspected child abuse, photographs of a patient's injuries must be verified and compliant with HIPAA privacy regulations in order to be used by a court of law as evidence. Members of the CAC were present at the event, and lauded how the app elevates the quality and integrity of the photographs, which were formerly in Polaroid form and were rarely useful in court cases.

## Your Montefiore ID: Always in Style

You wouldn't leave home without your wallet or handbag. So, why begin your day without donning your Montefiore ID? Wearing your ID consistently and properly—above the waist, with your photo visible—is essential for several reasons: it identifies you as an associate to patients and visitors and is necessary for Joint Commission compliance. Join your fellow associates as we kick off the "Always in Style" Campaign. The goal of this campaign is 100 percent participation. Make sure that you're on trend—always wear your Montefiore ID while at work.



## Montefiore Celebrates Earth Week

As a longstanding leader in sustainability, Montefiore recently celebrated Earth Week from April 20 to 24 with a number of activities aimed at informing patients, community members and associates about how they can adopt environmentally-friendly best practices.

Earth Day events at Montefiore's campuses in the Bronx and Westchester Counties were designed to raise awareness about ways that everyone can become more environmentally-responsible. Events were held at Montefiore Mount Vernon, Montefiore New Rochelle, as well as the Moses, Weiler and Wakefield Campuses. Guest speakers from companies including GE, Philips and American Standard, as well as members of Montefiore's Engineering Department, shared information about products and practices that are both environmentally-safe and cost-effective.



"Montefiore prides itself on its longstanding commitment to adopting environmentally-friendly practices," says Jeff Hogan, LEED GA, EMIT, Energy & Sustainability Manager, Montefiore. "These events were successful in engaging associates and members of the community on how they can do their part to protect the environment."

## Epic@Montefiore Goes Live

In 2014, Montefiore embarked on the implementation of Epic@Montefiore, an integrated electronic health record system personalized for the institution by the Epic project team and more than a thousand Montefiore Subject Matter Experts (SMEs)—associates from across Montefiore who are familiar with the specific workflow needs of Montefiore's clinical, operational and revenue cycle areas. Since that time, Montefiore Subject Matter Experts have participated in validation sessions, evaluated workflows, and have provided ongoing clinical and operational guidance. Thanks to the efforts of SMEs and the Epic project team, the initial Montefiore sites to transition to Epic—Montefiore Medical Group, Montefiore Occupational Health Services, Sound Shore Cardiology Associates and CMO, Montefiore Care Management—will begin going-live today through May 8.

"The excitement is building for go-live, as Epic@Montefiore will lay the groundwork for streamlining care throughout the Montefiore Health System and will bring us one step closer to connecting our Bronx and Westchester sites, enabling associates to access comprehensive patient information in one central system," says Michael Prilutsky, Vice President and Executive Project Director, Epic, Montefiore. "Our Subject Matter Experts are instrumental in helping us to implement efficient workflows and improve the way that we provide patient care."

Learn more at "Epic@Montefiore" on the Intranet.

**EPIC@Montefiore**

## NEWS

### Awards & Accolades

Montefiore associates are frequently recognized for their accomplishments. Below are some recent honors bestowed upon members of the Montefiore family.

**George Han, MD, PhD**, Chief Resident, Division of Dermatology, Montefiore, received the Resident of the Year JDD Leaders of Distinction Award during the Orlando Dermatology Aesthetic & Clinical (ODAC) conference in Orlando, Florida.



**Rubina Heptulla, MD**, Chief, Division of Pediatric Endocrinology and Diabetes, Children's Hospital at Montefiore, was recently honored by the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation at the Foundation's 2015 Black/White Gala. As Division Chief, she has worked in the area of diabetes research for more than two

decades. She is transforming the Division of Pediatric Endocrinology and recruiting thought leaders in many areas of endocrinological research to her team.

**W. Scott Melvin, MD**, Chief, Division of General Surgery and Vice Chairman for Clinical Operations, Surgery, Montefiore, and Professor, Surgery, Einstein, was recently named President Elect of the Central Surgical Association. The Central Surgical Association is one of the largest surgical societies, and serves as an educational and service resource for the United States and Canada. Dr. Melvin is an internationally-recognized expert in general surgery, GI surgery, minimally invasive surgery and new technology development.



**Miosotis Munoz**, Manager, Community Relations, Montefiore, was invited to participate in a policy briefing at the White House in February, in honor of Dominican Heritage Month. Prior to her position at Montefiore, Ms. Munoz advised numerous public figures on a wide range of city, state and federal matters. In the spring of 2008, she served as a member of Obama's National Latino Leadership Council.



**Amanda Parsons, MD**, Vice President, Community & Population Health, Montefiore, was recognized as one of New York's "40 Under Forty" by Crain's New York Business. This prestigious distinction honors individuals for their professional success and civic contributions.

With a background in medicine and strategic/management consulting at McKinsey & Company, Dr. Parsons moved into public health to help improve care for all New Yorkers. As the former Deputy Commissioner of Health Care Access & Improvement for the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, she oversaw bureaus focused on health information technology, health planning, health services, quality improvement and insurance enrollment services. She currently oversees Montefiore Health System's population and community health strategies.

### Montefiore New Rochelle Joint Solutions Earns Dual Reaccreditation

Montefiore New Rochelle's Joint Solutions Program earned reaccreditation for hip and knee replacement from The Joint Commission. The certification indicates that the program complies with the highest national standards for patient safety and quality of care. The Joint Solutions Program offers a full spectrum of orthopaedic treatments to eliminate discomfort and restore movement and function.

### New Version of Windows XP/IE7 Installed

Last week, Montefiore IT completed the release of a new version of Internet Explorer for associates using Windows XP/Internet Explorer 7 on their work computers. This upgrade grants these users full access to all of the features of the Talent Management Learning system. All Windows XP/IE7 users should see an "Internet Explorer 8" icon on their desktops. For instructions on how to access this new system, visit the Intranet.

If you are a Windows XP/IE7 user and you do not see the Internet Explorer 8 icon on your desktop, please contact the IT Service Desk at 718-920-4554 or [ITservicedesk@montefiore.org](mailto:ITservicedesk@montefiore.org).

### Clinical Trial Spotlight

#### Helping Teens and Families to Better Manage Type 1 Diabetes: A Randomized Control Trial

This is a study designed to evaluate the effectiveness of a new intervention in improving health outcomes in type 1 diabetes in teens. The study aims to target thoughts and feelings in teens that contribute to difficulties in managing diabetes and includes a parent component to help families communicate more effectively with one another about diabetes management.

Ages Eligible for Study: 13 to 18 Years

Genders Eligible for Study: Both

To learn more about this study, contact Becky Hashim Lois, PhD, at 718-696-3041 or [ProjectADDAPT@montefiore.org](mailto:ProjectADDAPT@montefiore.org).

## EVENTS

### B'N Fit Annual Teen & Community Walk

A joint partnership between Children's Hospital at Montefiore and Mosholu Montefiore Community Center addressing the accelerating adolescent obesity rates in the Bronx.

**Saturday, May 2, 2015**

**Registration: 7:30 am | Walk starts: 8:30 am**

**New York Botanical Garden, Bronx, New York**

To register in advance: [www.mmcc.org](http://www.mmcc.org)

For more information, contact Laurie Brandremer at [lbandremer@mmcc.org](mailto:lbandremer@mmcc.org).

### Wakefield and Einstein Campuses vs. Moses Campus Benefit Softball Game

Supports the Walk to Cure Arthritis

**Friday, May 8, 2015 | 5:00 pm**

**Indian Field, 233rd Street, Bronx, New York 10470**

T-shirts will be sold for \$20.00 to help Montefiore reach its fundraising goal of \$100,000 for arthritis research.

For more information, contact Wendell Aulet at 718-920-9500.

### Latin Flair

This celebration of Latino and Hispanic cultures featuring music, dinner and desserts benefits the Reassessment and Evaluation After Cancer Treatment (REACT) Program at Children's Hospital at Montefiore.

**Thursday, May 14, 2015 | 5:00 – 8:00 pm**

**West Garden, Moses Campus**

**East 210<sup>th</sup> Street Entrance (Rain Location: Moses Food Pavilion)**

Purchase tickets online at [www.montefiore.org/latinflair](http://www.montefiore.org/latinflair). Contact Megan L. Cerezo at 718-920-2959 or [mcerezo@montefiore.org](mailto:mcerezo@montefiore.org) with questions.

### 15<sup>th</sup> Annual New Rochelle House Tour

This tour benefits Emergency Children's Services at Montefiore New Rochelle.

**Sunday, May 31, 2015 | 11:30 am – 4:30 pm**

**Five Islands Park Indoor Pavilion**

**LeFevre Lane, New Rochelle, New York**

For more information or to purchase tickets, visit [www.montefiore.org/housetour](http://www.montefiore.org/housetour).

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