Good afternoon,

Today, I would like to remind you of yet another exciting event CNE is pleased to offer to both employees and our surrounding community. As you may have already seen, Women & Infants will be hosting a CNE Health Fair on Saturday, September 21, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Women & Infants South Pavilion.

This event is sponsored by the CNE Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Council, and will offer information from clinical experts across CNE, including, primary care, midwifery, child birth and health education, urogynecology, oncology, occupational health, and home health, as well as some fun activities. The event will feature health and wellness tips, education programs, screening for blood pressure and skin cancer, car seat checks, food trucks, and kid’s activities. I am also pleased to have the support of more than 25 vendors from the community that will be on site such as The American Diabetes Association, UnitedHealthcare, Dress for Success, and RI Free Clinic to name a few.

This health fair is another great way to support our local community and help us all to move forward for a stronger, healthier future. As a way to further connect with the community, we will have the opportunity to better understand their health care needs – giving us further insight into how we can best improve Quality, Service, and Access. In addition, this event will provide an excellent opportunity to increase awareness of the programs and services we offer across our system.

To make this event possible, volunteers are in high demand. I want to thank those who have already signed up to volunteer, but we are still in need of additional help. If you are interested in volunteering please sign up here. For more information, please contact eventinfo@wihri.org.

As I have said before, I know we can do great things when we come together and I hope that our CNE community can continue to make a difference both inside and outside the walls of our organization. This fair is an opportunity to do just that. Let’s help to make this event a great success!

In addition, I would also like to remind you of the remaining town halls taking place this week. Please feel free to attend whichever time is convenient.

Have a great week ahead!

Sincerely,

James E. Fanale, MD
President and Chief Executive Officer
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**Employee Town Halls**

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**WOMEN & INFANTS HOSPITAL**

**Mom donates special items to the NICU**

Last week, Jessalynn Potts, a doctor of physical therapy from Cumberland and a former NICU mom herself in California, along with her three children, put together 50 bags of special items for mothers in the The Carter Family Neonatal Intensive Care Unit.

They each include a Stella & Dot necklace that spells out “mama” in cursive, eye masks, cozy socks, puzzles, mints, hair ties, and other comfort items.

Thank you, Jessalynn and family for your generosity!

*Pictured from left to right: Pamela Watts, Women & Infants gift officer; Cali Potts; Jessalynn Potts; Reilly Potts, and Colton Potts.*

**CARE NEW ENGLAND**

**Off to a great start: American Diabetes Association® Tour de Cure**

Thank you to everyone who helped to make our kickoff events this past Tuesday and Wednesday such a great success! So far, we have nine teams that have been formed across CNE and over $2,000 raised. With each passing day we’re seeing more staff and friends registering and donating to the cause. We’re off to a great start!

If you were unable to make it to one of last week’s kickoff events but are still interested in learning more, please visit our team page for further details.

As the event continues to approach, we would like to encourage each of you to participate in this fantastic opportunity to support the American Diabetes Association’s (ADA) mission to prevent, cure, and improve the lives of all those affected by diabetes!

To sign up, please visit our team page: main.diabetes.org/site/TR?company_id=26274&fr_id=12753&pg=company

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On Saturday, August 17, employees from across The Providence Center and Care New England helped out at the 20th annual Back to School Celebration community event.

Hosted in partnership with many local organizations, the event offered free school supplies, food, entertainment, fun activities, and educational information for children present at the event. This year’s celebration was successful in passing out 16,000 backpacks filled with school supplies to students throughout the 12 locations around the state. Volunteering at the McCoy stadium location this year was the The Providence Center’s, Carine Paul, substance abuse specialist for Young Adult Health Home Team; Jennifer Perez, case manager, Multi-Systemic Therapy; Gloria Cardenas, bilingual care coordinator, Pawtucket Health Home and Blackstone Valley Community Health Center; Chris Neville, physician relations, Care New England, along with his son, Andrew.

The Back to School Celebration of Rhode Island is a nonprofit organization whose goal is to engage families in their children’s education and to provide school supplies to any family member that attends the event.

Women & Infants recently awarded Deborah Wood, RN, Antenatal Care Unit, with the Daisy Award for the care she recently provided to a patient who was having difficulty caring for herself and her baby. She was nominated for the award by Julie Spirito, RN, CEFM, ANM, nurse manager, who said, “More and more these days we have to care for patients in difficult situations...Deborah had a very open conversation with the patient and was able to get the patient to see her situation with a very different perspective...This is what nursing is all about; never giving up trying to make a difference in someone’s life.”

Congratulations, Deborah!

To nominate an extraordinary nurse who works at any Women & Infants affiliated location or the main hospital, submit an application online or in person. Fellow providers and patients may nominate a nurse for the award.
Robert J. Westlake, MD, Physician Excellence Award nominations

Butler Hospital is putting out a call for nominations for this year’s Robert J. Westlake, MD, Physician Excellence Award. The award was established in recognition of the extraordinary contributions that Dr. Westlake made to Butler Hospital over three decades, including serving as director of outpatient services in 1973, and helping to create the hospital’s first professional and public lecture series in 1979.

Dr. Westlake guided the hospital through some of the most critical times in its history, including creating its affiliation with the Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University, and the subsequent expansion of teaching and research programs. Dr. Westlake also served as the hospital’s medical director in 1993, and was the vice chair of the Department of Psychiatry and Human Behavior at the Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University.

The objective of the annual Robert J. Westlake, MD, Physician Excellence Award is to confer an honor on a physician in recognition of his or her personal achievements and/or contributions to the mental health of the people of Rhode Island. Nominees should be, or at one time were, a member of Butler Hospital’s medical staff, and should exemplify the qualities that Dr. Westlake brought to the field of psychiatry as a physician, educator, and advocate for mental health.

Nomination forms may be obtained at Butler’s medical staff office, or by contacting Jane C. Moore R, JCMoore@Butler.org by September 4, 2019.

The CNE print shop is on the move

The CNE print shop will be relocating to 50 Sharpe Drive, in Cranston, September 16-20, 2019. Please plan accordingly for your print shop needs. Only emergent requests will be supported during the week they are relocating.

Annual system-wide mandatory education

Care New England is introducing a system-wide core curriculum for annual mandatory education, also known as “mandatories,” through the HealthStream learning management system.

This core curriculum will apply to all CNE operating units and include modules in the following subject areas: Safety, Quality, Risk, Infection Prevention and Control, Human Resources, HIPAA & Compliance, and Environment of Care. The core curriculum was assigned on June 1, 2019 with a completion date of November 30, 2019. We recommend you pace yourself, please do not let the marathon become a sprint; you have four months to complete all assignments.

Most courses will now include a pre-assessment to provide workforce members with strong existing knowledge of a subject area an opportunity to “test out” of a course if passed with an 80 percent or higher on the first attempt. There may also be some operating unit-specific or role-based courses not included in the system-wide core curriculum that will be assigned separately. Butler Hospital will continue to its practice of conducting an annual Education Fair, covering the same curriculum.

If you have questions regarding HealthStream or your annual mandatory education assignment, please contact TeamHS@CareNE.org.

If you are having technical difficulties logging into HealthStream, or need your password reset, please contact the help desk at (401) 921-1000 (ext. 11000 internally) or HelpDesk@CareNE.org.

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Swim Across America
Saturday, September 7, 2019 | 8 a.m. | Roger Wheeler State Beach

Women & Infants and the national non-profit organization Swim Across America (SAA) will make waves in the fight against cancer with the tenth annual SAA Rhode Island Swim. The event will take place on Saturday, September 7, 2019 at Roger Wheeler State Beach in Narragansett, RI, beginning at 8 a.m. This year, we hope to surpass the one million dollar total to support oncology research at Women & Infants. Bring your friends and family, we are happy to have any volunteers who are at least 12 years old and are interested in helping or may need community service hours! Every volunteer gets a t-shirt, breakfast, lunch, and the chance to support cancer research and cancer survivors across Rhode Island. Another way to get involved is through the Women & Infants Swim with the Doctors team, "One Fin Tuna" led by David Edmonson, MD, this years’ team captain. To sign up or learn more about this truly inspirational event, contact Ivan Colon at (401) 921-8509 oricolon@carene.org. Register for the event online at swimacrossamerica.org/site/TR/OpenWater/RhodeIsland?pg=entry&fr_id=5105.

EMS educational session: Electrocardiograms (EKGs) and Interpretation in the Field
Thursday, September 19 | 5 to 7 p.m. | Kent Hospital, Doctors’ Auditoriums A & B

Join us for one of three educational sessions beginning in June, “Electrocardiograms (EKGs) and Interpretation in the Field” presented by Lauralyn Cannistra, MD, cardiologist at Kent Hospital and a member of Brigham and Women’s Cardiovascular Associates at Care New England. Continuing education units (CEUs) will be available for each of these sessions. The program will be held in Kent Hospital’s Doctors’ Auditoriums A & B, beginning with networking and a light supper at 5 p.m., followed by the presentation from 5:30 to 7 p.m. To register, please contact Jeanne Therrien at JTherrien@Kantri.org or (401) 737-7010, ext. 32880.