

## Celebrating Our Distinguished Doctors and Magnet Nurses

NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital joined healthcare organizations across the country to recognize their physicians and nurses as part of the celebrations for National Doctors' Day and National Certified Nurses Day.

"We are proud to have some of the most skilled and talented physicians in the region right here at NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital," said Stacey Petrower, President, NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital. "It is a hallmark of excellence that defines this hospital at every level. Your commitment to the medical profession touches our patients and their loved ones through the delivery of exceptional medical treatment in a caring and compassionate manner."

The organization's physicians, led by Dr. Bobby Janda, Chief Medical Officer, were feted with a celebratory breakfast held in the Main Lobby recognizing their many contributions to patients, their families, and the community.

On March 16, the hospital celebrated National Certified Nurses Day, honoring the over 100 nurses who demonstrated an advanced commitment to professional excellence by achieving nursing specialty and subspecialty certification. "Our Magnet nurses are a source of great pride to our hospital and the NYP health system overall, and 42 percent of you have voluntarily taken the special path to certification," noted A. Bonnie Corbett, Chief Nursing Officer and Vice President, Patient Services.



(From left) Dr. William J. Higgins, Vice President and Executive Regional Director, NewYork-Presbyterian Medical Group; Stacey Petrower, President, NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital; Daniel Hack, PA-C, Hospitalist Medicine; Dr. Bobby Janda, Chief Medical Officer; Dr. Saran S. Rosner, neurosurgeon; Dr. Maddalena Duarte, Medical Director, Women's Imaging; and Dr. Josmi Joseph, hospitalist.



A. Bonnie Corbett, Chief Nursing Officer and Vice President, Patient Services (far right), with the nurses who recently achieved specialty certification.

## A Weeklong Celebration Honoring Our Nurses

Throughout the week of May 6, NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital joined healthcare organizations around the country in honoring its nurses during National Nurses Week. Three consecutive Magnet designations awarded to NYP Hudson Valley Hospital underscore the skills, compassion, and overall excellence of the hospital's nursing staff. Said Stacey Petrower, President, NYP Hudson Valley Hospital: "We take pride in their accomplishments and daily contributions to ensure the highest quality care for our patients."

### Nurses Award Ceremony

On Friday, May 11, the annual Nurses Award Ceremony capped off the weeklong celebratory events. Congratulations to all our award winners.



Angela Gonzalez-Perez, Vice President, Operations, presented David Lasso, Clinical Engineer, Bio-Med, with the Friend of Nursing Award.



Allison Frost, RN  
Preceptor Award



Margaret Treanor, RN  
Rising Star Award



Steve Sniffen  
Patient Care Technician  
Nurse Support Partner



Matthew Esposito, RN, Chair, Magnet Committee Chair, announced the winners of the Magnet Nurses Scholarship Awards to two high school students aspiring to a career in health care: Nicole Daly of Mahopac High School and Kevin Carchipulla Jimbo of Ossining High School. Both students also received certificates of achievement from New York State Senator Terrence Murphy.



Emergency Department  
Structural Empowerment Unit

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## Ambulatory Surgery Receives Kay McNamara Dare to Soar Award

Ambulatory Surgery is the 2018 recipient of the Kay McNamara Dare to Soar Award, created in memory of Kay McNamara, a Clinical Nurse Manager for the 2South Unit. Kay believed in delivering excellent patient care and was an advocate for both her patients and her nurses. The award is bestowed each year on a nursing unit that has made strides in improving the quality of care on their unit and reflects the dedication that Kay believed in. Congratulations to Ambulatory Surgery for achieving this important recognition.



Members of the Education Department, led by Margaret Adler (right) congratulate Trina Mills, MS, RN, NE-BC, Director of Surgical Services, (second from left) and the Ambulatory Surgery staff.

## And the Daisy Award Goes to...



Congratulations to Barbara DiCaprio, RN, 4South, who is presented with the second quarter's Daisy Award by Sabrina Nitkowski-Keever, MSN, RNC, Director, Maternal Child Health. Patients nominate nurses who demonstrate extraordinary patient care.

## A Shout-Out to Patient Care Technicians

A light was shined on the important role of the hospital's patient care technicians to the nursing team at NYP Hudson Valley Hospital. "On behalf of all caregivers at NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital, we thank you for your invaluable contributions to patient care," said A. Bonnie Corbett, Chief Nursing Officer and Vice President, Patient Services. "We would not be able to put our patients first without you, our amazing PCTs. Thank you for your talents and heartfelt commitment to excellence."



(Far left) Stacey Petrower, President, and (far right) A. Bonnie Corbett, Chief Nursing Officer and Vice President, Patient Services, pay tribute to the hospital's patient care technicians.

## Hudson Valley Magazine Honors Our Nurses



Magnet nurses Suzy Araneo, ED, Jennifer Dedivanovic, NICU, and Barbara DiCaprio, 4South, were among the top 20 nurses in the region selected by Hudson Valley Magazine for its 2018 Excellence in Nursing Awards. Nursing leadership and the honorees' patient care directors, Donna Rosenberg, Casey Forde, and Kathleen Foley, respectively, were present as Ms. Araneo, Ms. Dedivanovic, and Ms. DiCaprio received their well-deserved accolades.

## Wine and Dine Supports Cancer Care

NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital's 8th Annual Wine and Dine event on April 11 raised \$100,000 to benefit both the hospital's Cheryl R. Lindenbaum Comprehensive Cancer Center and Cancer Program.

"Our hospital has had a long history of commitment to the community," said Stacey Petrower, President, NYP Hudson Valley Hospital. "As we grow and develop the Cheryl R. Lindenbaum Comprehensive Cancer Center, we commit to you that NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital will continue to provide outstanding care."

The Wine and Dine event, held at the Sleepy Hollow Country Club, attracted 400 guests representing local businesses, physicians, politicians, and other friends and supporters of NYP Hudson Valley Hospital. Their generosity will further the hospital's goal to become the #1 provider of cancer care in the region.

More than 30 local restaurateurs and wine merchants donated a delicious array of food, wines, and liquors for guests to enjoy.



Stacey Petrower, President, NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital, was joined at the podium by Dr. Lawrence Koutcher, radiation oncologist and Medical Director of Radiation Oncology at the hospital's Cheryl R. Lindenbaum Comprehensive Cancer Center.



(From left) John Testa, Westchester County Executive; Ken Jenkins, Deputy Westchester County Executive; Karen Westervelt, Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, NewYork-Presbyterian Regional Hospital Network; RoseMarie Panio, Event Chairperson; Michael Delfino, Chairman of the NYP Hudson Valley Hospital Community Board of Directors; Stacey Petrower, President, NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital; and Mayor Andre Rainey, City of Peekskill



Dr. Glenn Hamroff and Dr. Douglas Sankar



Dr. Andrew Ashikari and Dr. Roy Ashikari with Chihiro Shinohara, PA-C



Dorian's Seafood Restaurant Team



# Spotlight on National Observances

During March and April, NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital joined hospitals across the nation in national observances to bring attention to a number of important healthcare issues and initiatives, and to recognize staff who play important roles in these endeavors. The numerous and varied educational and celebratory events for staff and the community reflect the high quality of care we deliver to our patients and the importance we place on good health practices.

## Sound Sleep Advice



During Sleep Awareness Week – March 12 to 16 – the NYPBeHealthy team provided information about sleep centers system-wide, including The Center for Sleep Medicine at NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital. Thank you to Felicia DiFiore, RD, NYP Health and Wellbeing Coordinator, for setting up an education table in the NYP Hudson Valley Hospital cafeteria, where employees, including Dillon Conklin, IT Analyst, learned how to overcome challenges to a good night's sleep.

## Promoting Colon Health



Colorectal Cancer Awareness was the focus of activities on March 30. Among the events held, Dr. Shireen Pais, advanced therapeutic gastroenterologist, provided a “Lunch and Learn” community lecture for some 26 attendees who learned that colonoscopy is key for the early diagnosis and treatment of colorectal cancer. Dr. Pais also emphasized that colorectal cancer is one of the few cancers that can be prevented and often can be cured if it is found early. Joining Dr. Pais at the event were colleagues from the hospital’s Digestive Health Center, Ambulatory Surgery, and the Gastroenterology Division of NewYork-Presbyterian Medical Group Hudson Valley: (from left, back row) Caryl Harris, NP, Shiny Paul George, NP, Pryanca Waghmarae PA-C, Nadine Delgado, Julia Gorman, RN, Kathy Asadoorian, RN, Geraldine Giordano, and Natividad Marrero; (from left, front row) Dr. Pais, Jessica Salomon, Nancy Monteleone, Ann Marie Moffa, Kathleen Jones, and Diane Santiago-Attanasio.

Brandy Jones and Marie Mongero of the hospital’s Cheryl R. Lindenbaum Comprehensive Cancer Center also provided information about colon health to a gathering of 75 attendees at the March Winter Farmers Market.

## Getting Back to Basics

NYP Hudson Valley Hospital served up something special for Earth Month Awareness on April 16. Chef Emilie Berner, Coordinator of the hospital’s Chef Peter X. Kelly Teaching Kitchen and caretaker of the organic garden on the grounds of The Dempsey House, invited Dr. Shalene Badhan, rheumatologist, and Tamara Benjamin, Certified Master Gardener, Cornell Cooperative Extension, to participate in a unique “Lunch and Learn” community lecture. Chef Berner (right) joins Dr. Badhan (center) and Tamara Benjamin. The event drew 25 individuals who learned what seeds to plant when and where, as well as how to harvest a successful crop. Since many rheumatologic illnesses stem from the gut, Dr. Badhan explained how the gastrointestinal system is strongly influenced by the food we eat and the soil from which it grows. A tour of the hospital’s organic garden followed the lecture.



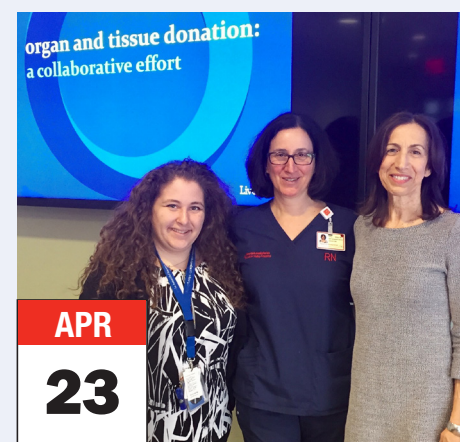
## A Shout Out for Our Laboratory Team!



NYP Hudson Valley Hospital’s highly accredited Department of Laboratory Services was feted with a surprise visit and a cake during Medical Laboratory Professionals Week on April 23. A “caravan” of administrative leadership led by Angela Gonzalez-Perez, Vice President, Operations, and A. Bonnie Corbett, Chief Nursing Officer and Vice President, Patient Services, along with many Magnet nurses and employees, stopped by to offer their thanks and appreciation.

## Shining a Light on Organ Donation

NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital joined the entire NYP health system in raising awareness about Donate Life Month and the critical importance of organ donation. Staff learned about organ donation, as well as the referral process and eligibility requirements, from a panel organized by the hospital’s Education Department for CEU credit. Kathy Widas RN, BSN (center) joins speakers Gabrielle Frankel, BA, from LiveOn NY, and Carmela DeLuca, LMSW, of the Eye Bank for Sight Restoration.



## Putting Autism Front and Center



(From left) Sedrick O’Connor, Vice President, Human Resources; Shari Lewitt, Director of Career Development and Supports, ARC of Westchester; Nancy Fraher, Coordinator, Project SEARCH Autism Enhancement Program, ARC of Westchester; Ellen Bloom, Director, Marketing and Development; and Ryan Moynihan, Marketing Assistant. Ryan is also pictured with a poster board he created for the April 17 Farmers Market that encouraged visitors to write messages that reflected their thoughts on Autism Spectrum Disorder Awareness. Among them were the sentiments: “Resilience, Persistence, Hope and Love.”

April is Autism Awareness Month and NYP Hudson Valley Hospital showed its support by hosting an enlightening discussion with a panel of experts from ARC of Westchester. Ryan Moynihan, Marketing Assistant, NYP Hudson Valley Hospital, also shared his challenges and triumphs as an individual with autism. Ryan spoke about the journey that led to his employment at NYP Hudson Valley Hospital, saying, “I don’t let autism define me, I define autism.”



# Spotlight on National Observances

## A Thank-You to Our Administrative Professionals



On the morning of April 25, Administrative Professionals Day, 68 administrative professionals throughout NYP Hudson Valley Hospital came together for a tea and thank-you reception in the Main Lobby.

“You are the glue that keeps us together,” said Stacey Petrower, President, NYP Hudson Valley Hospital. “You do everything with such grace, dedication, dignity, and humor.” Ms. Petrower joined the guests of honor and their managers, including Theresa Ryan, RN, MSN, Patient Care Director, Intensive Care Unit, and Paula Natale, Unit Secretary (photo left).

## Sole Support for Putnam Heart Walk



Under sunny skies and seasonable temperatures, a team of NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital employees and patients took to the streets on April 22 to raise awareness about heart disease and stroke prevention at the Putnam Heart Walk in Brewster. The annual walk is presented by the American Heart Association’s Putnam chapter. NYP Hudson Valley Hospital was a proud sponsor, along with Dr. Patrick Thomas, cardiologist, NewYork-Presbyterian Medical Group Hudson Valley, and his wife, Johanna with their children (photo top right). “Walking is a great first step to exercising,” said Dr. Thomas, who is also Board President of the AHA’s Putnam chapter. Also joining the NYP Hudson Valley Hospital team was Kali (photo right) with her owner Nicole Stevenson, Exercise Physiologist, Cardiac and Pulmonary Rehabilitation.



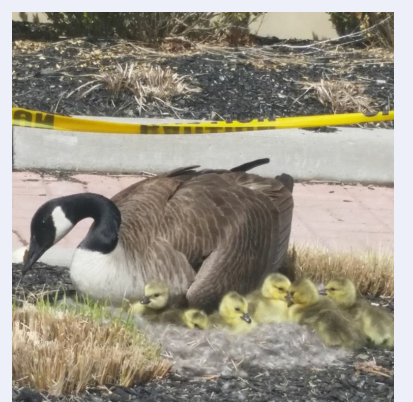
## High School Students Learn About Careers in Rehab

Physical and occupational therapists, and cardiac and pulmonary rehabilitation staff from NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital’s Centers for Rehabilitation hosted bio-med students from Hendrick Hudson High School in Montrose on April 26. Students learned about the variety of conditions treated at the hospital’s on-site center, as well as in Croton and Cold Spring locations. Staff also shared their own career paths, informing the students about academic and clinical studies, and preparation. Thanks to Michael Delgrosso, Christine Zumwalt, and Anne Buchwald of the hospital’s Centers for Rehabilitation, and Deborah Petranichik and Nicole Stevenson, Exercise Physiologist, Cardiac and Pulmonary Rehabilitation.



## From a Weary Winter to Sweet Signs of Spring

The months of February and March 2018 were marked by four nor’easters, blanketing the hospital’s communities with the most snow seen in years. Staff stayed overnight repeatedly, caring for patients and for each other, and all pitched in to make sure that operations quickly returned to normal following each storm. Perhaps seeking shelter from the tempestuous weather, a pregnant goose needing a nesting place, selected a flowerbed in front of the hospital’s parking garage. As winter finally turned to spring in April, Mother Goose gave birth to six baby goslings the last weekend in April.





## Focus on Physicians

### Expanding Services in Digestive Health



Dr. Frank J. Turchioe, Clinical Director, NYP Medical Group Hudson Valley Gastroenterology Division; Dr. Daniel L. Feingold, colorectal surgeon with NYP Medical Group Hudson Valley, and the Edelman-Jarislowsky Associate Professor of Surgery at Columbia University Irving Medical Center; and Dr. Shireen Pais, advanced therapeutic gastroenterologist



Dr. Mitchell A. Josephs



Dr. Herman B. Kleinbaum



Dr. David E. Lin

NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital welcomed three new physicians to the digestive health team of NewYork-Presbyterian Medical Group Hudson Valley and announced the opening of its advanced Digestive Health Center. The new center provides access to the latest non-surgical procedures and surgical interventions for a range of gastrointestinal conditions, including gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD), obesity, motility disorders, colon and liver disorders, and inflammatory bowel disease. The Digestive Health Center enables patients to receive care close to home, while being able to access more advanced care, should it be needed, from NewYork-Presbyterian providers throughout the health system.

To make an appointment with any of our Gastroenterologists, please call 914-787-2200.

### Meet NYP Hudson Valley Hospital's '40 Under 40' Stars



Dr. Lawrence Koutcher, Medical Director, Radiation Oncology, NYP Hudson Valley Hospital Cheryl R. Lindenbaum Comprehensive Cancer Center, was honored as a "40 Under 40 Mover & Shaker" by the Dutchess County

Regional Chamber of Commerce. The award is bestowed upon individuals who have shown a strong commitment to the Hudson Valley.



Dr. Nicole Belkin, orthopedic surgeon, NewYork-Presbyterian/Columbia University Irving Medical Center and NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital, has been named a "Rising Star" among the 2018 class of outstanding

"40 Under 40" business professionals honored by the Business Council of Westchester. Dr. Belkin practices at NewYork-Presbyterian Medical Group Hudson Valley's Cortlandt Manor and Croton-on-Hudson locations.

### Congratulations to Physician of the Quarter



Dr. Peter Gottesfeld, Internal and Family Medicine, was selected by his peers as "Physician of the Quarter" at the April 23 meeting of the medical staff. Dr. Ron Nutovits, President, Medical Staff, praised Dr. Gottesfeld for his dedicated service to the hospital and to his patients. "He is involved in all aspects

of his patients' physical and mental wellness and his peers depict him as setting the bar for our physicians to follow," said Dr. Nutovits. "Dr. Gottesfeld is a great patient advocate and has championed quality assurance and improvement as a top priority for our medical staff and hospital. He has been a leader to our medical staff and a role model as a compassionate, responsive, and dedicated physician."

### A Thank-You to Physician Office Managers



Each year, NYP Hudson Valley Hospital hosts a breakfast for office managers to keep them up to date about new developments, programs and resources, and to provide education about the referral process to effectively serve our patients. On April 26, Dr. Omar Al-Awwad, Medical Director, Hospitalist Medicine, welcomed 22 hospital staff at the annual Physician Office Managers' Breakfast.

"You are at the front line of patient care and have an important and integral role in caring for our community," said Dr. Al-Awwad. Also providing opening remarks were Mary Kincart, Vice President, Quality and Patient Safety, who discussed Care Across the Continuum; and Jessica Fauci, Director, Med-Surg, Nursing & Case Management, who spoke on Care Coordination. Dr. Maddalena Duarte, Medical Director, Women's Imaging, shared guidelines about breast cancer screening. She was joined by Manuel Paris, Director, Diagnostic Imaging Services, in speaking about diagnostic services and processes for referrals. In addition, 10 other speakers presented a panel discussion on other relevant topics.



# Commitment to the Community

## Speaking of Health and Wellness

Prevention remains at the center of NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital's mission. To that end, the hospital implements strategies and programs that contribute to patients' wellness, such as creating healthy habits and practicing good nutrition. Adding to the robust calendar of community outreach by the hospital's physicians and other experts, we were pleased to be partnering with the Town of Cortlandt and the Town of Yorktown for two health and wellness series.

### Keeping an Eye on Good Health



On March 16, Dr. Phillip Calenda, ophthalmologist, NewYork-Presbyterian Medical Group Hudson Valley Hospital, kicked off a new Wellness Series at Yorktown Town Hall. NYP Hudson Valley Hospital is partnering with the Yorktown Senior Advisory Committee to provide physicians and other experts as speakers at the committee's monthly meeting. Dr. Calenda spoke to some 50 attendees about the importance of eye health and early intervention, especially as one ages. (Back row, from left) Mary DeSilva, Daryl Lindholm, Dr. Calenda, and Maria Farna; (seated, from left) Barbara Leifels, Jennie Menton-Grasso, RoseMarie Panio, who chairs the committee and is familiar to all as event chair for our annual Wine and Dine, and Gil Kaufman. On March 23, Dr. Calenda also visited with Jefferson Village seniors in Yorktown, discussing treatment for cataracts and other eye conditions.

### On the Move



As part of the monthly Health Series at Cortlandt Town Hall developed by NYP Hudson Valley Hospital and Town Supervisor Linda Puglisi (second from left), Dr. Nicole Belkin, an orthopedic surgeon at NewYork-Presbyterian/Columbia University Irving Medical Center and NYP Hudson Valley Hospital, spoke to 45 employees of the Town of Cortlandt on the benefits of movement in healthy living. Joining the program on April 6 were Erin McCarthy, OT Supervisor, and Cora Mangan, Clinical Manager, at the hospital's Center for Rehabilitation.

### Improving Heart Health



On April 20, NewYork-Presbyterian Medical Group Hudson Valley physician, Dr. Craig Hametz, Chair of Cardiology at NYP Hudson Valley Hospital, spoke at the Wellness Series at Yorktown Town Hall. Dr. Hametz discussed ways to improve cardiac health with members of the Yorktown Senior Advisory Committee and 50 seniors. Seated far right is Ilan Gilbert, Yorktown Town Supervisor.

### Resources for Diabetes Support Groups

Dr. Ann Hanley, a neurologist with NewYork-Presbyterian Medical Group Hudson Valley, was invited to speak at the April 6 Diabetes Support Group Meeting at NYP Hudson Valley Hospital, discussing the signs and symptoms of neuropathy. The hospital's two Diabetes Support Groups facilitated by Jodie Ferrari, RD, Clinical Nutrition Manager, are held on the first Wednesday evening and first Friday afternoon of each month. The meetings provide education on reducing risks, preventing diabetes, and the importance of checking blood sugar levels, as well as guest speakers. For more information, call 6/3221.



### Wellness Panel on Heart Health



On April 17, two of our physicians from NewYork-Presbyterian Medical Group Hudson Valley, Dr. Frank Dorsa, cardiologist, and Dr. Bindu Mathew, Internal and Family Medicine, served on a wellness panel at Buchanan Village Hall, where 45 seniors meet each month. Dr. Dorsa discussed supportive heart health information and the importance of seeing one's physician team regularly, especially as one ages. Dr. Mathew also stressed the significance of sound nutrition and exercise and addressed the misconceptions about being too old to begin practicing healthy habits.

### Good Nutrition and Kidney Health



(Left to right) NewYork-Presbyterian Medical Group Hudson Valley physician, Dr. Lisa McLeod, obstetrician/gynecologist, donned the red apron for the hospital's "Physician in the Kitchen" program on March 14. The event drew 22 women over the age of 50 who learned about staying healthy after menopause. Also from NewYork-Presbyterian Medical Group Hudson Valley, Dr. Donald Enoch, Internal and Family Medicine, and Dr. Madhavi Katikaneni, nephrologist, spoke to 65 attendees at the April 11 meeting of the Yorktown chapter of AARP at the invitation of Patricia Fraleigh, Auxiliary Board Member, and an AARP chapter leader (pictured above with Dr. Enoch).



## A Warm Welcome to...



**Manuel Paris**  
Director  
Diagnostic Imaging Services

NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital has welcomed **Manuel Paris** as Director of Diagnostic Imaging Services. Prior to his joining the hospital, Manuel served as Manager of the Molecular Imaging and Therapies Service at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center (MSK) in New York, where he had financial, operational, research, and strategic oversight of the Nuclear Medicine Division. While at MSK,

Manuel was also involved in NIH-sponsored research, collaborating with a consortium of National Cancer Institute centers to understand and improve access to cancer services for underserved populations.

Earlier in his career, Manuel was the Administrative Director at University Diagnostic Medical Imaging in the Bronx, and the Manager for Planning and Development at Holy Name Hospital in Teaneck, New Jersey. He earned his BS/BA degrees from William Paterson University and graduate degree from Rutgers University. Manuel lives in Wayne, New Jersey, with his wife Rosanna, their two children, Abriana, 17, and Michael, 15, and their pug Olivia. Manuel is an avid Yankees fan, enjoys coaching baseball, and travelling with his family.



**Krista Gotliffe**  
Patient Centered Care Specialist

**Krista Gotliffe** has joined the leadership team of NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital as Patient Centered Care Specialist. Krista was first introduced to the NYP family in 2015 as an NYPBeHealthy Wellbeing Coach, partnering with hospital employees to enhance their wellbeing. In her role as Patient Centered Care Specialist, Krista will be drawing from her background in psychology, wellbeing, and corporate coaching to support the great work of NYP Hudson Valley Hospital care teams and their patient experience initiatives.

Krista holds a BA in Psychology from Stony Brook University and an MA in Clinical Psychology from Teachers College, Columbia University. Krista enjoys being outdoors and is an avid hiker, runner, and cyclist. She looks forward to all of the wonderful trails that the Hudson Valley has to offer, and welcomes any colleagues to join her in a hike, run, or ride.

## ...and a Fond Farewell



### Suzanne J. Hyatt

**Suzanne J. Hyatt** retired as Director, Laboratory Services, NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital on April 13 after a 29-year career. At a celebration in the Main Lobby, Sue received praise for her exemplary service and dedication from **Angela Gonzalez-Perez**, Vice President, Operations (photo left); **Dr. Elpidio Jimenez**, Medical Director, Laboratory Services; and colleagues from Chemistry, Hematology, Microbiology, Histology/Cytology, Phlebotomy, and the Blood Bank. Sue, whose hospital career began by answering a local newspaper ad she described as the size of a square inch, said to the gathering of 75 well-wishers, “Thank you all for being so supportive over my years at NYP Hudson Valley Hospital.”

## Employees of the Month



**February 2018**  
**Paul Butler**  
Chaplain Coordinator, Volunteer Services

**Paul Butler** joined NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital in April 2016 and embodies the organization’s impressive culture of respect. He is dedicated to making sure everyone counts. Since Paul’s arrival, he has contributed to an overall improvement in the delivery of excellent quality care and service.

Paul has been instrumental in helping to develop support groups and has worked tirelessly with other leaders to be a champion of respect and diversity. Paul has created the tools to perform a spiritual assessment for our patients, offered meditative programs for our nurses, and assisted our chaplains in performing self-care through spiritual direction. Paul is a leader in creating programs and services for our employees and is always willing to listen to concerns and seek solutions.

Most of all Paul is a true team player and who never says “no” to anyone and is completely committed to putting patient’s first. He is very proud of his family, including his wife and two young daughters. Paul is compassionate, empathetic, and caring. Congratulations Paul, you truly deserve this honor.



**March 2018**  
**Erika Chimbo**  
Patient Care Technician, 4 South

**Erika Chimbo** joined NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital in 2016 as a Patient Care Technician and has been affectionately referred to as the “tiny giant” on a team focused on improving the patient experience. Erika is the Patient Care Technician leading the “culture of safety” on 4 South and is always active, even during her spare time, organizing supply rooms, locating and delivering safety equipment, such as chair alarms, to rooms.

Erika’s kindness and respect to patients is always visible to her colleagues, who are proud to say, “I work with this person.” Thank you, Erika Chimbo.



# Welcome to Our New Employees

March – April 2018



(Front row, left to right) Jose Perez, Lois Kessler, Rebecca Boniello, Andrea Rogers, Laurie Mondry, Karen O'Connell, Evelyn Rodriguez Rivard, Isaura Tacktuck-London, Lauren Selsky, and Luigis Henriquez (Back row, left to right) Tadasia Baker, Kelly Fanshawe, Dasha Caldas, Sylvie Maddalena, Joan Koval, Gabriella Barbiero, Darren Williams, Basem Marji, Daniel Patrick Kelly, and Aswin Mathew

## 2 South

Pia Dy  
Registered Nurse

Sally Corpolongo  
Registered Nurse

## 3 South

Geovanni Ballog  
Registered Nurse

## 4 South

Peter Emmanuel Lucasan  
Registered Nurse

Amanda Mohamed  
Registered Nurse

## Admitting

Tadasia Baker  
Admitting/ER Registrar

## Ambulatory Surgery

Lauren Lopez  
Registered Nurse

## Center for Digestive Health

Glenda Barco  
Patient Care Technician

Michelle Crews-Berete  
Title to come

Nancy Converso  
Registered Nurse

Geraldine Giordano  
Registered Nurse

Kathleen Jones  
Endoscopy Technician

Natividad Marrero  
Patient Access Coordinator

Ann Marie Moffa  
Registered Nurse

Nancy Monteleone  
Clinical Nurse Manager

Jessica Salomon  
Endoscopy Technician

Diane Santiago-Attanasio  
Supervisor

## Central Supply

Joseph Essuon  
Title to come

## Cold Spring PT

Monica LoConti  
Physical Therapist

## Croton Physical Therapy

Zaryna Sanchez  
Scheduler/Registrar/Biller

## Dietary Services

Mary Jaroff  
Cook

Darren Williams  
General Kitchen Worker

## Emergency Room

Kristen Amodio  
Registered Nurse

Charles MacDowell  
Patient Care Technician

## Engineering

Daniel Kelly  
Director, Plant Engineering

## Environmental Services

Danielle Davis  
Environmental Services Aide

Stephen Feliciano  
Environmental Services Aide

## Human Resources

Karen O'Connell  
Employment Coordinator

## Infusion Center

Evelyn Rodriguez Rivard  
Administrative Coordinator

## IT

Jose Perez  
Help Desk Operator

## Laboratory

Brian Lalbeharry  
Specimen Processor

Sylvie Maddalena  
Lab Secretary/Transcriptionist

Luke Mennillo  
Specimen Processor

Amber Smith  
Histology Tech

## Maternity

Kaylee Huff  
Registered Nurse

## Nursing Administration

Carol Costa  
Unit Secretary

Jonathan Hong  
Patient Care Technician

Carlos Velasquez  
Patient Care Technician

## Paramedic Institute

Ilia Razoumov  
Paramedic

## Patient Centered Care

Krista Gotcliffe  
Patient Centered Care Specialist

## Pharmacy

Dasha Caldas  
Pharmacist

## Progressive Care Unit

Emery Morella  
Registered Nurse

## Quality Assurance

Lauren Selsky  
High Risk Care Navigator

## Radiology

Gerson Lopez  
Radiological Technologist

Manuel Paris  
Director, Diagnostic Imaging

## Respiratory Therapy

Caralyn Turrone  
Respiratory Therapist

## Security

Basem Marji  
Security Officer

Herminio Rodriguez, Jr.  
Security Officer

## Social Services

Francesca McElrath  
Case Manager/Social Worker

Kathy Wallace  
Case Manager/Registered Nurse

## Surgical Services

Stephanie Knapp  
Registered Nurse

## Marking Anniversary Milestones

March – April 2018

### 20 Years

Maureen Brann  
Physical Therapy

Grace Kasper  
Laboratory

Murat Mathurin  
Respiratory Therapy

Aimee Steinke  
Blood Bank

### 15 Years

Brenda Cartagena  
Social Services

Wanda Maldonado  
4 South

### 10 Years

Nevin Adorno  
Respiratory Therapy

Michelle Agosta  
Radiology

Keith Bohler  
Nursing Administration

Kathryn Cohen  
Health Information Management

Joan Crotty-O'Gorman  
NICU

Arsenia Gayomba  
Emergency Room

Erin Napolione  
Human Resources

Sylvia Pinet  
3 South

### 5 Years

Stephen Dangelone  
Paramedic Institute

Jordan Fernandez  
Environmental Services

Jefferson Garrovillas  
Croton Physical Therapy

Richard Haigh, Jr.  
Emergency Room

Susan Hoyt  
Laboratory

Christopher Langevin  
Paramedic Institute

Matthew Mulvaney  
Paramedic Institute

Christine Nardone  
Emergency Room

Aquila Perez  
4 South

Cheryl Silvernail  
EMS

Jon Silvestri  
Paramedic Institute

Nicole Valentino  
Surgical Services

## KUDOS Corner

“All staff, no matter what department, were very professional.”

“My wife was provided with up-to-the-minute information as to my comfort and condition at all times.”

“Everything was good. I was told what was going on before it happened.”

“They always asked if I needed anything else.”

“I was well taken care of and would happily recommend the hospital to my family and friends.”

“Everyone was great. I had no pain.”

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