

PSYCHIATRY RESEARCH TODAY

DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHIATRY

Your connection to current research and accolades in the Department of Psychiatry

VOLUME 2, ISSUE 3

SEPTEMBER 15, 2011

DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHIATRY ANNUAL AWARDEES ANNOUNCED

The Department of Psychiatry Graduation and Recognition Ceremony was held on June 22nd, 2011. The following individuals were honored:

Faculty of the Year Award:
Manisha Punwani, MD

Psychotherapy Mentor of the Year Award: **Ron Kanwischer, MA, LCPC, CADC**

Research Faculty of the Year Award (Chi Square Award):
Kristina Dzara, PhD

Adjunct Faculty of the Year Award for Resident Teaching:
Richard Chiola, MA, LPC, Clinical Instructor

Adjunct Faculty of the Year Award for Clerkship Teaching:
Bette Ann MacIntosh, Clinical Assistant Professor, MD

Resident of the Year Award:
Rajeev Kandukuri, MD

Catherine Speedie Memorial Award:
Lokesh Shahani, MD

Chi Square Research Resident Award: **Gaurav Jain, MD**

PRITE 90th Percentile Neurology and Psychiatry Training Awards: **Melanie Zupancic, MD**

PRITE 90th Percentile Global Psychiatry Training Award:
Marlene Zouein, MD

Most Growth and Development in Psychotherapy Training Award: **Marlene Zouein, MD**

Congratulations to all awardees and graduates!

RECENT FACULTY AND RESIDENT PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Dobbins M, Roberts N, Vicari S, Bogdanich R, Seale D, and Record J. 2011. "The Consultation Conference: A New Model of Collaboration for Child Psychiatry and Primary Care." *Academic Psychiatry* 35(4):260-262.

Jain, G, Chakrabarti S, and Kulhara P. 2011. "Symptoms of delirium: An exploratory factor analytic study among referred patients." *General Hospital Psychiatry* 33 (2011) 377-385.

Soltys S, Pary R, Robinson S, and Markwell S. 2011. "Transitioning between Clerkship Directors." *Academic Psychiatry* 35 (2):114-117.

Soltys S. 2011. "Primer for the Interim Chair." *Academic Psychiatry* 35(2):122-125.

Zupancic M, Mahajan A, and Handa K. Forthcoming. "Dementia with Lewy Bodies: Diagnosis and Management for Primary Care Providers." *The Primary Care Companion for CNS Disorders*.

Dzara, K, Bennett, J, Boston A, Baughman K, and George K. "Gender Differences in Community Integration Among Institutionalized Adults with Developmental Disabilities." Poster presented at the *American Association for Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Annual Meeting*, June 2011, St. Paul, MN.

Robinson, S, Roberts N, and Dzara K. "A Two-Year Assessment of Residency Training Coordinators' Perceptions of Potential Psychiatry Residents Demeanor and Professionalism." Poster presented at the *Association of Directors of Medical Student Education in Psychiatry Annual Meeting*, June 2011, Savannah, GA.

Gagliardi J, **Jain G, Schwartz C, Bhattacharyya A, Xiong G, Dzara K, and Resch D.** "Combined Internal Medicine/Family Medicine and Psychiatry Training: What Residents Really Do After Residency." Poster presented at the *Association of Directors of Medical Student Education in Psychiatry Annual Meeting*, June 2011, Savannah, GA.

RESIDENTS COMPLETE TRAINING

The following residents and fellows completed training:

Aniruddh Behere: Certificate of Completion (3 years training).

George Costin: Certificate of Completion; Chief Inpatient Resident.

Jennifer Hardwick:

Certificate of Completion (3 years training).

Rajeev Kandukuri: Certificate of Completion; Chief Administrative Resident; Chief Inpatient Resident.

Mehnaz Khan: Certificate of Completion, Fellow in Child Psychiatry

Santosh Shrestha: Certificate of Completion; Chief Inpatient Resident

Marlene Zouein: Certificate of Completion; Chief Inpatient Resident

Anoosh Salman: Certificate of Completion, Fellow in Child Psychiatry

FOCUS ON THE DIVISION: CHILD PSYCHIATRY

The Division of Child Psychiatry is housed at the Noll Pavilion. Assistant Professor **Mary Dobbins, MD** chairs the division, which includes: **Pamela Campbell, MD, Rebecca Loschen, MSW, Manisha Punwani, MD, Anoosh Salman, MD, Stephen Soltys, MD, Ayame Takahashi, MD, and Sandra Vicari, PhD.** Child Psychiatry Fellows

include **Nasir Ahmad, MD, Aniruddh Behere, MD, Jennifer Hardwick, MD, and Garima Singh, MD.** Recently, **Mary Dobbins, MD, Nicole Roberts, PhD, Sandra Vicari, PhD, Deborah Seale, MA, Radmila Bogdanich, MA, and John Record, MA,** published their paper "The Consultation Conference: A New Model of Collaboration for Child Psychiatry

and Primary Care" in *Academic Psychiatry*. In addition, various retrospective chart reviews by faculty and fellows in the division are currently in progress. **Pamela Campbell, MD, Assistant Professor,** serves as medical director at the Lincoln Prairie Behavioral Health Center. Thanks to all faculty and fellows for your hard work!

RESIDENT ACCOLADES

Aniruddh Behere, MD, PGY-IV, has received the Helen Beiser Award by the Illinois Council of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry. Dr. Behere is currently a SIU Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellow. Congratulations!

George Costin, MD, a recent Medicine/Psychiatry graduate, presented his co-authored poster "Synchronicity – Coincidence Detection and Meaningful Life Events Among Individuals Affiliated with a Medical School" at the 2011 American Psychiatric Association Annual Meeting.

Gaurav Jain, MD, PGY-IV, received the "Best Resident Research Award," at the 2011 American Psychiatric Association Annual Meeting for his co-authored paper "Psychiatry Residency Training in the United States, Canada, United Kingdom, India, and Nigeria: A Trans-continental Comparison." Congratulations to Dr. Jain and co-authors.

Melanie Zupancic, MD, PGY-V and **Aman Mahajan, MD, PGY-I** published "Leptin as a Neuroactive Agent" in the June 2011 edition of *Psychosomatic Medicine*. Excellent teamwork!

Melanie Zupancic, MD, PGY-V has been selected as a recipient of the 2011 Association for Academic Psychiatry Fellowship Award. This competitive award values outstanding leadership, education, research, and clinical work in Psychiatry. Congratulations on this excellent achievement!

WELCOME NEW EMPLOYEES

Michelle Blanshan, BBA, Office Support Specialist, Adult Psychiatry.

Zoe Chase, BS, Chief Clerk, CSN.

Dawn Fifer, Office Administrator, Psychiatry.

Khondakar Hasanat, MD, Assistant Professor, Adult Psychiatry.

Sheila Jessen, Office Support Specialist, Psycho-Oncology.

Kristina Murray, BA Program Services Specialist, CSN.

Debra Torres, BA, Program Services Specialist, CSN.

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

Newsletter Editor: **Kristina Dzara, PhD**

Newsletter Associate Editor: **Anna Wiggins, MS, LCPC**

Let us know about your scholarly achievements! Please submit research or accolades to be included in Psychiatry Research Today to **Kristina Dzara, PhD** at kdzara@siumed.edu.

We are also seeking guest contributors to discuss their current research projects.

HONORS

Congratulations to **Jeffrey Bennett, MD**, who is now the Downstate Councilor of the Illinois Psychiatric Society, the local version of the American Psychiatric Association. The organization lobbies for mental health legislation in the State of Illinois. Congratulations, Dr. Bennett, and thank you for your service.

Excellent work! **Radmila Bogdanich, MA**, has recently been named the President of the National Association of Psychiatric Department Administrators.

Michaele Birch, MA, recently graduated from the University of Illinois at Springfield with a Master's Degree in Human Services, with a Drug and Alcohol Counseling Concentration. Michelle works as a program services specialist in the Community Support Network. Excellent work, and congratulations on this achievement!

Well done! **Shelda Borders, PhD**, recently passed her psychologist licensure examination. Dr. Borders recently joined the Division of Psycho-oncology as an Assistant Professor of Psychiatry.

Anna Wiggins, MS LCPC, has transitioned from a Researcher II to a LCPC position in the Department of Psycho-oncology. Congratulations, and keep up the good work!

WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS

The following residents are new to the Department of Psychiatry! Welcome:

Categorical Psychiatry:

Richard Chung, MD, PGY-I

Pravesh Deotole, MD, PGY-I

Naveed Khokhar, MD, PGY-I

Sheila Thomas, MD, PGY-I

Medicine/Psychiatry:

Vineka Heeramun, MD, PGY-I

Yae Rim Lee, MD, PGY-I

TRANSITIONS

Ryan Alexander, BA, LAN Support Specialist II, has taken a position in the Department of Pediatrics as an IT Technical Associate. Best wishes in your new position.

Best wishes to Abby Fitch, MA, Program Services Specialist, CSN, who transitioned from SIU in May.

Robin Zorn, Medical Education Program Specialist, has moved to the Department of Surgery, Division of Urology, to work with the Urology Fellows. Congrats, and good luck!

The mission of the SIU School of Medicine, Department of Psychiatry, is to engage in excellence in psychiatric education and research while providing high quality, effective, state-of-the-art clinical care.

Department Chair: Stephen M. Soltys, MD