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We All Want to Be Safe

By Scott Kanagy, DO, system chief medical officer, Upper Valley Medical Center

If you search on the web for violence within a health care setting, the number of events that come up is startling. These events are widespread and numerous. Unfortunately, Premier Health hospitals and Dayton are not strangers to this violence. The past few years and the pandemic have increased the likelihood of violence in society, especially in the hospital setting. Every site within Premier Health has experienced this. Yet we continue to carry on our vision to "Inspire Better Health."

We have experienced several situations recently at multiple sites within Premier Health with injury and, in rare cases, loss of life. Working in health care is a scary thing to do in this time and age. Not only for us as caregivers but also for our families. However, working in health care is a calling only certain people answer.

I've asked in past chief medical officer articles whether we really know everyone on our team who contributes to the care of our patients every day. In this article, I am referring to the public safety officers who walk our campuses 24/7 and keep us safe. I know we

acknowledge them when we have high-profile events, which we have encountered recently at multiple facilities. However, on a day-to-day basis, do we acknowledge them for all the events they de-escalated that could have escalated into more serious events? Have we asked ourselves and educated ourselves on de-escalating techniques to partner with them so situations do not become worse?

Things to consider when de-escalating an event:

- Recognize and assess the situation. Your safety is paramount.
- Respond calmly. Humans tend to mimic each other's behavior, so don't respond with anger, sarcasm, or inflexibility.
- · Listen with empathy.
- Validate and show respect.

The steps listed above are ways we can learn to help with the challenges we encounter. Please take the time to get to know the



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security specialists who keep us safe every day and allow us to provide the great care we provide to our communities. Discuss with them and ask how you can better partner with them to keep us all safe.

Remember, some individuals who commit violent acts suffer from illness, and we must do all we can to avoid any events that may

cause escalation. Unfortunately, some will escalate to violence and when they do, I am thankful for all the security specialists at Premier Health. I want to thank all the brave women and men who walk our halls daily, keeping us safe and willing to serve beside us. We owe a great gratitude to every one of you.

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Ohio's Most Dangerous Cities

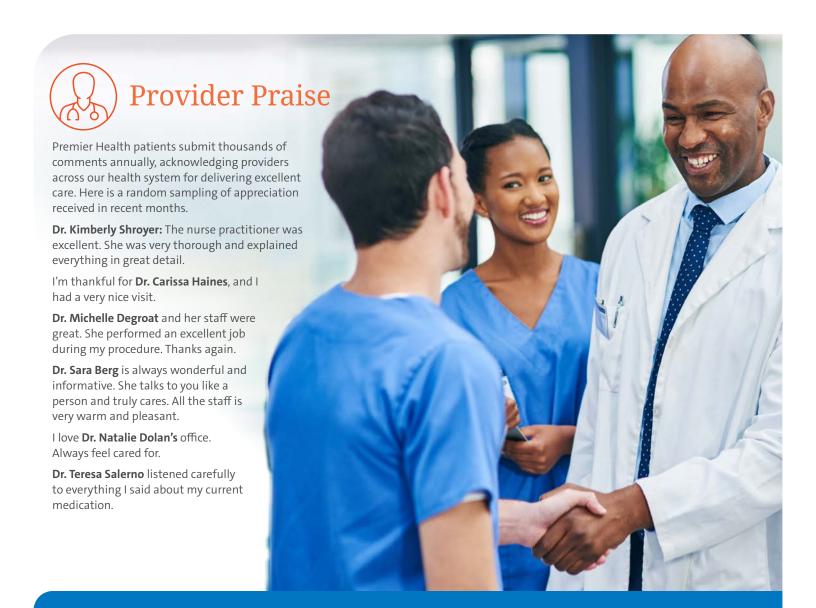
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SERVICE LINE UPDATE: ONCOLOGY

Premier Health Cancer Care Focused on Inspiring Better Health

By Lori Scalise, system director, service line oncology, Premier Health; and James Ouellette, DO, clinical chair of the oncology service line, Premier Health



The need for cancer care is as great as ever. Premier Health's oncology institute is dedicated and committed "To Inspire Better Health" by providing easier

access to cancer prevention, diagnostic, and advanced multispecialty care, including supportive cancer care services for patients.

To reflect on 2022, the oncology service line team, in partnership with our Premier Physician Network of primary care and ObGyn practices, continued to focus on cancer prevention compliance for patients with a family history of cancer; or who met the requirements for various cancer screening and surveillance. "The best defense to cancer is to catch it early or prevent it" says Joe Allen, MD, medical director of Premier Physician Network Primary Care. This will continue to be a strategic priority with further enhancements to our cancer prevention program.

Premier Health also launched a Lung Nodule Evaluation Program in May with a dedicated nurse practitioner to detect lung cancer at an earlier stage of the disease. Since launching this program, approximately 700 patients have been enrolled to receive education and ongoing surveillance. To refer a patient to this program, call 937-208-6730 or EPIC Referral CON30663.

In December, Miami Valley Hospital South increased access for cancer patients by expanding the fourth floor of the comprehensive cancer center. The expansion provides 22 infusion suites, a satellite infusion pharmacy with an ambulatory oncology pharmacist to consult with providers and patients, and a nutrition room within the infusion center. Adjacent to the infusion center, the hospital expanded the Premier Blood and Cancer Center space to accommodate the growing medical oncology and hematology team, as well as to provide cancer patients with a more seamless patient experience.

Looking forward to 2023, the oncology service line's strategic priorities include the expansion of programs and services:

- Miami Valley Hospital Cancer Care and Infusion Center at 1111 Sweitzer Street, Suite E, Greenville, opened Medical Oncology and Hematology Clinic on Feb. 6 to see oncology patients. The infusion center and pharmacy will be coming soon. Radiation oncology services will be provided in the same building.
- Miami Valley Hospital North will expand the infusion center footprint from seven suites to 25 infusion suites with pharmacy and cancer nutrition space for patients by the end of June.
- Premier Comprehensive Breast Cancer Clinic (in pilot phase) at Miami Valley Hospital South Comprehensive Cancer Center is a multidisciplinary clinic that offers a patient-centered holistic approach. A dedicated interdisciplinary care team provides same-day consultation and treatment planning for newly diagnosed

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breast cancer patients at the center. To refer a patient who is newly diagnosed with breast cancer and who needs treatment planning, call 937-438-PINK (7465) or Epic referral CON30701.

- Other clinics currently being evaluated and/or developed this year for MVHS Comprehensive Cancer Center include:
 - Cancer Survivorship Clinic
 - High-Risk Cancer Prevention Clinic
 - Cancer Nutrition Clinic
- The Comprehensive Head and Neck Cancer and Reconstruction Program has recently launched a new physician guide to services that will be sent to physicians regarding this program as it has recently expanded access for patients in the 17-county market with Kazim Alwani, MD, joining Sameep Kadakia, MD with Premier ENT Associates last October. To refer a patient to the Comprehensive Head & Neck Cancer and Reconstruction Program, call (937) 208-6730 or Epic Premier ENT Associates

Please Welcome New Cancer Specialists:

Dr. Joseph Houda, MD, cardiothoracic surgeon, joined Premier Cardiothoracic Surgery Associates on Jan 3. and will lead the Lung Cancer Disease Committee. His focus will be thoracic. To refer a thoracic patient, call (937) 208-3220 or EPIC – Premier Cardiothoracic Surgery Associates.

Six new medical oncology and hematology specialists have joined Premier Blood and Cancer Center. These specialists are experts in diagnosing and treating all cancer disease and hematology patients:

- Srinivasu Chamarthy, MD (Upper Valley Medical Center)
- Satheesh Kathula, MD (Miami Valley Hospital South and Oakwood)
- Jhansi Koduri, MD (Miami Valley Hospital South and Miami Valley Hospital North)
- Manish Sheth, MD (Greenville and Oakwood)
- Mridula Reddy, MD (Atrium Medical Center, April 2023)
- Dr. Emanuela Cimpeanu (Atrium Medical Center, October 2023)

These new physicians will practice with Piyush Patel, MD, Joseph See, MD, Tarek Sabagh, MD, John Haluschak, MD, and Sana Jeffreys, MD. "Fighting cancer is a team effort, which includes a multidisciplinary care team of skilled physicians, surgeons, medical oncologists, radiation oncologists, nurses, and oncology nurse navigators, as well as support services including genetic counselors, rehabilitation professionals, dietitians, clinical trials nurses, and social workers. We are grateful for the work that all these cancer professionals continue to do to enhance patient care and clinical excellence,"

-Dr. Jim Ouellette.



To refer a patient to a hematology and oncology specialist, please call **(937) 276-8320** or EPIC – Premier Blood and Cancer Center.



Premier Health Cancer Care Services

For more information regarding Premier Cancer Care services, visit https://www.premierhealth.com/services/cancer-care

Early Volunteerism Leads to a Life in Medicine



Dr. Elizabeth Cozad-Swartzwelder

What is your clinical specialty? Family Medicine

Where did you go to school?

Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine

What brought you to Premier Health?

The majority of my clinical experience in medical education was with Premier Health and I continued on after residency.

Why did you choose medicine as a career?

My dad was in pastoral ministry, and it wasn't uncommon for me when I was young to be waiting at the hospital or hospice house as he visited someone who was sick or dying. Eventually, I started volunteering for our local hospice, and I think it just left such a deep impression on me by seeing the good that people can do by being in medicine.

Who are the people who influenced and/or mentored you?

Dr. Mark Clasen and Dr. John Donnelly, both family medicine trained, influenced my field choice. They showed me an unparalleled devotion to their patients and students, and I can't be thankful enough for their mentorship during my time in medical school.

Also, my high school track coach. He drilled so many life lessons into me that I still use them today.

What is one thing most people don't know about you?

I used to think money was grown on money trees.

Where is your hometown?

South Point, Ohio, was historically the southernmost point of Ohio along the borders of West Virginia and Kentucky, but due to erosion along the Ohio River, that is no longer the case.

What, if any, sports team(s) do you cheer for?

I prefer to play sports instead.

What is the last book you read?

"Measure What Matters: How Google, Bono, and the Gates Foundation Rock the World with OKRs" by John Doerr

What is your favorite song in your playlist?

"Symphony" by Clean Bandit

What is your favorite food?

I don't think I have one.

What is your favorite hobby?

Any outdoor activity.

What is your favorite animal, and why?

Any baby animal, especially calves and kids (the goat kind).

Where is your favorite vacation spot, and why?

Any warm place with good company and good food.

Describe something (a thing, person, place, experience, etc.) for which you are especially thankful:

I am thankful for my kids' infectious smiles.

Pick a side

iPhone or Android

iPhone

Early bird or night owl

Early bird

Beach bum or mountain hiker?

Depends on the day

Dress shoes or tennis shoes?

Tennis shoes

Paperback or e-reader?

E-reader

Coffee or tea?

Neither

Cooking or baking?

Both

Sweet or salty?

Both



Women's Health Test Addition: Mycoplasma Genitalium

CompuNet now offers testing to detect Mycoplasma genitalium (M. gen). This assay is a nucleic acid amplification test (NAAT) that enables efficient and reliable testing for M. gen RNA.

What Is Mycoplasma genitalium?

M. gen is a prevalent, often misdiagnosed STI. In fact, its prevalence is higher than gonorrhea and similar to chlamydia.1 M. gen is present in approximately 10.2% of women and 10.6% of men.2 If left untreated, M. gen infections can result in long-term health consequences, which include cervicitis, pelvic inflammatory disease, and urethritis in men.2

The addition of the M. gen test has resulted in the following three test options:



TEST	EPIC CODE	INCLUDES	COLLECTION	RESULTING	CPT CODE(S)
Mycoplasma genitalium RNA, TMA	LAB 6216 LAB6812	Mycoplasma genitalium, TMA	1 Orange cap Aptima swab or 5mL Urine	Detected or Not Detected	87563
STI Comprehensive Panel	LAB6813	Chlamydia trachomatis, RNA, TMA Neisseria gonorrhea, RNA, TMA Trichomonas vaginalis, TMA Mycoplasma genitalium, TMA	1 Orange cap Aptima swab or 5 mL Urine	Detected or Not Detected	87491, 87591, 87661, 87563
Vaginosis/Vaginitis Plus GC/CT/Mycoplasma		Vaginosis Bacterial, TMA Candida species, RNA, TMA Candida glabrata, RNA TMA Trichomonas vaginalis, RNA, TMA Chlamydia trachomatis, RNA, TMA Neisseria gonorrhea, RNA, TMA Mycoplasma genitalium, TMA	Valid container type is APT: collect two Aptima Multitest Swab Specimen Collection Kits (Orange swabs)	Detected or Not Detected	81513, 87481(x2), 87661, 87491, 87591,



If you have any questions regarding the above testing, please contact Jessica Hutchinson, director of infectious disease testing, at **(937) 297-8208** or **jelhutchin@compunetlab.com** or lke Northern, system technical director of infectious diseases and microbiology, at **(937) 297-8334** or **winorthern@compunetlab.com**.

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Campus Banners, Chest Pain Accreditation, State of Healthcare Event



Atrium Medical Center

The American College of Cardiology recognized Atrium Medical Center for its demonstrated expertise and commitment in treating chest pain patients. Atrium was awarded Chest Pain Center Accreditation with Primary PCI based on rigorous onsite evaluation of the staff's ability to evaluate, diagnose, and treat patients who may be experiencing a heart attack. This is the third consecutive accreditation for the hospital.

A donation from the Middletown Division of Fire IAFF Local 336 to Atrium Medical Center will help uninsured women pay for their mammogram appointments. The \$3,401.88 donation was generated through the fire department's sale of "Fighting for a Cure" breast cancer awareness T-shirts and sweatshirts. The donation will benefit the Middletown Area Federation of Women's Club Endowment for women's health. The endowment, part of Atrium Medical Center Foundation, makes it easier for women to get their

annual mammogram screening with Atrium's mobile mammography coach, traveling to businesses, public venues, and events throughout Southwest Ohio.

The Middletown Division of Police and Atrium Medical Center are proactively taking steps to keep students safer and calmer in an emergency. Atrium is assembling classroom emergency kits filled with items and resources to help teachers and students who may be barricaded in a classroom for an extended time during a crisis. These five-gallon buckets will be placed in school classrooms and include items like toilet paper, hand sanitizer, snack bars, gauze, gloves, flashlights, and bandages. The goal is to provide a kit for every classroom at Middletown Middle School and Middletown High School and shared spaces like the cafeteria, administrative offices, and library. If this goal is met, the project will be expanded to elementary schools. Atrium Medical Center Foundation has launched a website where donations can be made at bucket.givesmart.com.



Miami Valley Hospital

Banners were installed at all Miami Valley Hospital campuses promoting services and awards.



Candy Skidmore, former vice president of Premier Health emergency and trauma service lines, retired after serving Premier Health for more than 40 years. Candy also led CareFlight Air and Mobile, EMS Center of Excellence, and Regional Referral Center. Miami Valley Hospital leadership hosted a reception to honor her leadership and legacy. Three Dayton television stations and Dayton Daily News covered Candy's career story.

Miami Valley Hospital Foundation and Premier Community Health hosted an unveiling media event at Premier Health Center for a new Mobile Clinic. The new clinic, funded by a \$270,000 CareSource grant, will serve people in communities with limited access to health care throughout Southwest Ohio. The new Mobile Clinic has two private exam rooms, ADA accessibility, and Wi-Fi. Patients ages 18 and older who utilize the mobile clinic will receive free care through funding from Premier Health's community benefits program and the health system's four hospital foundations.

Executive committee members from Good Samaritan Foundation-Dayton approved funding for new telemetry equipment at their January meeting. Funding will provide up to 20 new devices, totaling \$28,000, to monitor patients who are experiencing cardiac symptoms.

Good Samaritan Foundation-Dayton was awarded a \$5,000 grant from the Archdiocese of Cincinnati to support Mothers Empowered. The program brings pregnant women together in supportive groups. Mothers Empowered offers high-quality prenatal care and parenting education through a partnership with the Foundation and Lifestages Centers for Women.

Premier Health held an evening out at the Wright State University men's basketball game on Jan. 21. A digital message throughout the arena highlighted the health system. Wright State University cheerleaders threw Premier Health T-shirts to the fans during time-outs. Premier Community Health debuted the new Mobile Clinic, providing health screenings pre-game

through half-time. System leaders also attended the event in the president's suite, providing an opportunity for networking with Wright State University leaders.

Representatives from Premier Health met with the leadership of the new Goodwill Easter Seals Miami Valley West



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Campus Community Service Center in Trotwood. The meeting provided an opportunity to tour the new facility and learn about their community programming, as well as how Premier Health can continue to partner with the organization to serve the Trotwood area.

Miami Valley Hospital South sponsored the 21st annual Martin Luther King Jr. Breakfast hosted by the Centerville-Washington Diversity Council. Leaders from across Premier Health attended this event.

Premier Health administrative and clinical leaders hosted our state legislative delegation for a State of Healthcare event at the corporate office. This session provided an opportunity to update our elected officials on the state of the system, current financial challenges, and ask for their support.

Upper Valley Medical Center

UVMC had a very successful Cardiac Catheterization Lab II licensure survey by the Ohio Department of Health, resulting in zero citations. All required standards of the catheterization lab were reviewed last year during the fourth quarter, including medical staff, policies, direct observation of procedures, patient record reviews, and quality.

A new physician office building wayfinding kiosk was installed in the lobby of the UVMC Physician Office Building to help patients find the correct physician's office for their appointments. In addition to directions displayed on the screen, the kiosk includes a QR code scanned by a phone to show the exact office location. Utilization of the wayfinding kiosk will be evaluated for potential expansion into other areas of the hospital.

Scott Kanagy, DO, chief medical officer at UVMC, and Sarah Jones, infusion center manager, UVMC, were featured in Troy and Piqua radio interviews on Jan. 23 to share important information about the many services provided in the Miami Valley Hospital Troy Dugan Infusion Center at UVMC. Dr. Kanagy also provided an update on activity at the hospital.



UVMC was a lead sponsor of the Piqua Chamber of Commerce's annual dinner on Jan. 19 at the Piqua Country Club. UVMC's presence at the event included a marketing banner, hospital information sheets, and a table of eight hospital leaders in attendance.

UVMC's behavioral health admissions team was recognized with Department of the Quarter Honors for the winter quarter. This employee recognition is designed to highlight outstanding quality service and educate fellow teams about the scope of work performed by the recipient department.

Premier Physician Network

PPN welcomed eight new physicians and providers at its recently redesigned New Provider Orientation on January 18, 2023. Please help us welcome Nnamdi Azie, MD, Cardiothoracic Surgery Associates; Samantha Borrelli, PA-C, Clinical Neuroscience Institute-MVH; Joseph Houda, MD, Cardiothoracic Surgery Associates; Peter Michaelson, MD, Premier ENT Associates; Marie Middleton, FNP-C, Jamestown Family Medicine; Amanda Pulfer, FNP-C, Premier Vascular Surgeons; Stephanie Tuente, CNP, Clinical Neuroscience Institute-UVMC; and Denise Wade, CNP, Clinical Neuroscience Institute-MVHS.

Please also help us welcome our new PPN Advanced Practice Providers:

Charles Armstrong, PA, Surecare Medical Center, Family Medicine; Sherry Ashburn, CNP, Upper Valley Family Medicine-Dorset, Family

Medicine; Elizabeth Baumann, CNP, Clinical Neuroscience Institute-UVMC, Neurology; Alyssa Beach, PA-C, Premier Weight Loss Solution, Bariatrics; Jodie Beard, AG-ACNP, Clinical Neuroscience Institute, In-Patient Services, Neurosurgery Care; Danny Biddinger, CNP, Franklin Family Practice, Family Medicine; Kayla Bostwick, FNP, Premier Health Family Care of Vandalia, Family Medicine; Jessica Brandenburg, CNP, Premier ENT Associates, Otolaryngology; Lauren Braswell, CNM, Lifestages Centers for Women, Midwifery; Madison Burgei, PA-C, Clinical Neuroscience Institute-MVH, Neurosurgery; Stephanie Carlson, CNP, Premier Vascular Surgeons, Vascular Care; Caitlin Chabut, PA-C, Premier Cardiovascular Institute-Needmore, Cardiology; Ashley Clevenger, PA-C, Clinical Neuroscience Institute-MVH, Neurosurgery; Brittany Cook, FNP, Huber Heights Family Care, Family Medicine; Deanna Davis, ACNP-BC, Premier Health-Advanced Critical Care-MVHS, Critical Care; Sarah Devon Wells, AG-ACN, Clinical Neuroscience Institute, Neuro Critical Care; Abigail Dougherty, PA-C, Beavercreek Family Medicine, Family Medicine; Marian Duselis, CNP, Clinical Neuroscience Institute, Neuro Critical Care; Carrie Evans, CNP, Premier Health Primary Care Beavercreek, Primary Care; Julie Garvey, AG-ACNP, Premier Health-Advanced Critical Care-MVHS, Critical Care; Katherine Goley, PA-C, Gem City Surgeons - MVHS, General Surgery; Tyler Hall, AG-ACNP, Premier



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Health-Advanced Critical Care-MVHN. Critical Care; Brooke Hertenstein, PA-C, joining Premier Cardiovascular Institute-MVHN, Cardiology; Jessica Hines, CNP, Magnolia Women's Health, OB/GYN Care; Molly Hoffman, CNP, Premier Vascular Surgeons, Vascular Care; Brittany Homan, PA-C, NEUROne, Neurology; Meta Howard, FNP, North Dayton Primary Care, Family Medicine; Peggie Johnson, FNP, Middletown Family Practice, Family Medicine; Toni Johnson, CNP, Brookville Family Care, Family Medicine; Lora Kinner, FNP, Liberty Family Medicine, Family Medicine; Dena Kirklin-Thomas, CNP, Premier Health Internal Medicine - Englewood, Internal Medicine; Tiffany Koors, FNP, Family Medicine of Huber Heights, Family Medicine; Zukhra Kuchiyeva, CNP, Premier Health Internal Medicine - Englewood, Internal Medicine; Breanne Mauk, CNP, Premier Health Family Care of Vandalia, Family Medicine; Melissa Mejia, AGACNP-

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In-Patient Services, Cardiology Care; Paige Short, CNM, Women's Health Specialists & Midwives of Dayton, OB/GYN; Chelsea Sizemore, AGA-CNP, Clinical Neuroscience Institute, In-Patient Services, Neuro Critical Care; Suzanne Spooner, AGACNP-BC, Clinical Neuroscience Institute-MVH, Neurosurgery Care; Elise Stamper, ACNPC-AG, Comprehensive Burn and Wound Specialists, Wound Care; Taylor Stang, PA-C, Clinical Neuroscience Institute-MVH, Neurosurgery; Ashley Thatcher, FNP, Premier ENT Associates, Family Medicine; Lindsey Thomas, PA-C, Clinical Neuroscience Institute-MVH, Neurosurgery; Vincent Ulizzi, PA-C, Premier Orthopedic Spine Center-AMC, Ortho-Spine; Jackilyn Wilson, ACNP, Premier Blood and Cancer Center, Hematology/Oncology; and Zachary Youst, PA-C, Clinical Neuroscience Institute, Neurology.



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