

**January 2008**

Monthly newsletter for physicians  
at Thomasville Medical Center

### **New Director of Emergency Services**

Dr Peter Galaska's first day in the emergency department at TMC was January 2<sup>nd</sup>. Prior to TMC, Dr Galaska practiced at Iredell Memorial Hospital. Please take time to welcome Dr Glaska.

### **Rowan Regional Medical Center Merger Complete**

We are excited to announce that the merger of Rowan Regional Medical Center with Novant Health has been completed. Earlier this year, RRMCC's board of directors unanimously selected Novant Health as its healthcare partner for the future. RRMCC has 170 Medical-Dental Staff, 268 licensed beds, and 51,000 ED visits annually. The merger became effective January 1.

### **EMR Update**

As many of you are aware, Novant is implementing an electronic medical record (EMR) across the system for each of its hospitals. After an initial survey of organizational and physician readiness, the findings indicate that we are ready in both aspects for hospital EMR. While a timeline has been established for the implementation of EMR at the Novant Medical Group Practices, no such timeline has been developed for the hospital based EMR system. As the design of the system requires clinical input, you as the physicians will be an integral part in making this happen.

### **E-Sig after Patient has Registered in Hospital**

If you are currently using the electronic signature feature, please be aware that you can only electronically sign after the patient has registered at the hospital. If you sign prior to the patient registering, there is no medical record to attach to the signed document.

### **Use of "pause" While Dictating**

When dictating please remember to use the pause feature. The pause feature was extended to 20 min to better serve the needs of our medical staff. By using the pause feature, transcription is able to quickly process the dictation, thus decreasing the backlog and improving turnaround times. To utilize the pause feature during dictation, simply press 4 on the telephone keypad. To resume dictation press 4 again. If you have further questions please call transcription at (336) 277-1620.

### **MLK Jr Health Fair**

TMC is hosting the MLK Jr. Health Fair in the lobby from 9 – 1 on Jan. 21. The health fair is free to all attendees. If you have questions, feel free to contact Jane Wilder at (336) 476-2442

### **Privileges Update**

- **Clifton Baker, MD** – Privileges in addition to Moderate Sedation to use Diprivan/ OR Ketamine in Dept. of Emergency Services
- **Mark Smith, MD** – Renewal of Non-Invasive Vascular Ultrasound Study Privileges

## New Physicians at TMC

### Active Medical Staff

#### Olanseni Shoroye, DO



**Specialty:** Hospitalist  
**Status:** Active  
**Group:** Inpatient Physicians of Davidson  
**Department:** Medicine  
**Medical School:** New York College of Osteopathic Medicine  
**Internship:** Nassau University Medical Center  
**Residency:** Nassau University Medical Center  
**Certification:** Not Certified  
**Prior to coming to TMC:** Locums Hospitalist

#### Piotr Galaska (Peter), MD



**Specialty:** Emergency Medicine  
**Status:** Active  
**Group:** ED Care Management  
**Department:** Emergency Medicine  
**Medical School:** University of Texas Southwestern Medical School  
**Internship:** University of Rochester Medical Center  
**Residency:** University of Oklahoma Tulsa  
**Certification:** Yes; American Board of Emergency Medicine  
**Prior to coming to TMC:** Carolinas Medical Center System