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The Latest News of the Cooley Dickinson Physician Hospital Organization

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1. Member Updates

Visit our CDPHO website for an updated list of all PHO members and contact information at <http://www.cdpho.org/> (Top right “Find Physician”)

New Members

Leora Cohen-McKeon, DO



Joined [University Health Services](#) on 10/1/17

Phone # (413) 577-5000

Specialty: Family Medicine

Recently from Martin's Point Health Care (Portland, ME)

Medical Degree: **University of New England, College of Osteopathic Medicine** (Biddeford, ME)
2006

Residency: **Swedish Hospital at Cherry Hill** (Seattle, WA) Family Medicine 6/06-6/09

Special Training and Interests

Addiction Medicine

Women's Health

Estevan Garcia, MD



Joined CDMG, Emergency Medicine on 2/1/18

Phone # (413) 582-2363

Joined CDMG, Hospitalist Program on 2/1/18

Phone # (413) 582-2792

Joined CDMG, Sugarloaf Pediatrics as a covering Pediatrician on 2/1/18

Phone # (413) 665-9111

Specialty: Pediatrics & Pediatrics Emergency Medicine

Recently from Hospitals Insurance Company (New York, NY)

Medical Degree: **University of Texas Health Science Center - Southwestern Medical School**
(Dallas, TX) 1995

Residency: **Children's Medical Center** (Dallas, TX) Pediatric 7/95-6/98

Fellowship: **Children's Medical Center** (Dallas, TX) Pediatric Emergency Medicine 7/98-6/01

Special Training and Interests

Asthma

Patient Safety

Additional Languages:

Spanish

Heather Wark, MD

Joined Heather Wark, MD LLC on 1/16/18

Phone # (413) 732-6544

Specialty: Internal Medicine

Treats Nursing Homes patients only

Continues to work at Subacute Rehabilitation, CareOne (Northampton, MA)

Medical Degree: **University of Vermont College of Medicine** (Burlington, VT) 1991

Residency: **Baystate Medical Center** (Springfield, MA) Internal Medicine 7/93-6/95

Special Training and Interests

Geriatrics

Hospice Care

New Advanced Practice Clinicians Members

Sofia Buford, NP



CDMG, Hadley Family Medicine

Phone # (413) 586-6020

Specialty: Primary Care

Undergraduate: **University of Massachusetts** (Amherst, MA) Bachelor of Arts, Latin American Studies & Public Health 2006

Graduate Program: **Yale University School of Nursing** (New Haven, CT) Master of Science in Nursing 2011

Additional Languages

Spanish

Andrea Carey, NP



CDMG, Hampshire Cardiovascular Associates

Phone # (413) 570-4900

Specialty: Cardiovascular Medicine

Undergraduate: **University of Massachusetts** (Amherst, MA) Bachelor of Science in Nursing 1999

Graduate Program: **University of Vermont** (Burlington, VT) Master of Science in Nursing 2002

Melanie Krupa, PA



Hilltown Community Health Centers, Inc.

Phone # (413) 238-5511

Specialty: Primary Care

Undergraduate: **Westfield State University** (Westfield, MA) Bachelor of Science, Biology
2001

Graduate Program: **Massachusetts College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences** (Manchester,
NH) Master of Science, Physician Assistant Studies 2003

Additional Languages

Spanish

Ellen Putnam, CNM



CDMG, Women's Health

Phone # (413) 586-9866

Specialty: OB/GYN

Undergraduate: **University of Massachusetts** (Amherst, MA) Bachelor of Science, Women's
Studies/Health Education 1982

Graduate Program: **Yale University** (New Haven, CT) Master of Science in Nursing, Maternal-
Newborn Nursing/Midwifery 1990

Amy Richane, CNM



CDMG, Women's Health
Phone # (413) 586-9866
Specialty: OB/GYN

Undergraduate: Wellesley College (Wellesley, MA) Bachelor of Arts, English Literature & Art History 2003
Graduate Program: Yale University (New Haven, CT) Master of Science in Nursing, Midwifery 2014

Resignations

Linda Bornstein, MD has resigned from CDMG, Radiation Oncology effective 1/5/18.

Erin Eppsteiner, MD has resigned from CDMG, Women's Health effective 1/27/18.

Teresa Stimpson, PA has resigned from CDMG, Intensivist effective 1/3/18

Thomas Weil, MD has resigned from CDMG, Hampshire Cardiovascular Associates effective 1/20/18

Demographic Change

New office location effective 12/1/17

Amity Medical Group, Inc.
31 Campus Plaza Road **new address**
Suite B
Hadley, MA 01035
413 549-8700 Phone (remains the same)
413 549-9910 Fax (remains the same)

Old address
29A Cottage Street
Amherst, MA 01002

2. Quality Corner
by Sharon Asher, RN Quality Manager CDPHO

Depression Medication Management



One of the HEDIS medication management specifications measures how long a patient is on antidepressant medication following a new diagnosis of major depression. It is reported in two groups:

1. Effective Acute Phase Treatment: The percentage of members who remained on an antidepressant medication for at least 84 days (12 weeks).
2. Effective Continuation Phase Treatment: The percentage of members who remained on an antidepressant medication for at least 180 days (6 months).

In a separate measure, follow up appointments with a primary care provider or mental health practitioner is also measured. This measure looks for 3 visits within the first three months of a new diagnosis of major depression.

Nationally, these scores have remained low since their inception in the year 2000.

Areas of focus:

1. The use of the Major Depression Codes will include a patient into the denominator for this measure. Alternative codes can be used for well controlled or chronic low level depression and anxiety.
2. For patients with a new diagnosis of Major Depression, use of a tracking system to follow their care can help to provide outreach to encourage them to keep their appointments.
3. Frequent depression screening can help to identify patients that may not bring up the topic on their own.
4. The most common screening tool is the PHQ2, with positive screenings followed up with the PHQ9.

For additional information, please reach out to Sharon Asher, RN CDPHO Quality Manager.

3. Calendar of Events

Primary Care Physician Meeting

Friday, February 9
8-9 am, Rear Dining Room

CDPHO Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, February 13
5:30-7:30 pm, Mannheim Joint Ctr.

Monthly Office Staff Meeting

Thursday, February 15
8-9 am, Rear Dining Room