

THE ROBERT WOOD JOHNSON MEDICAL GROUP  
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RUTGERS-ROBERT WOOD JOHNSON MEDICAL SCHOOL

BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 12, 2012

**Present:** Drs. Amenta, Bachmann, Cadoff, Carson, Dhib-Jalbut, Eisenstein, Gracias (for Graham), Haffty, Kipen, Lansing (for Tallia), McGarry, McKinney, Menza, Scardella, Scanlin, Sonnenberg, Spotnitz, Whitley-Williams; Ms. Holswade, Lustig

**Absent:** Drs. Arya, DiPaola, Graham, Hunter, Rao, Tallia,

Meeting called to order by Dr. Amenta at 4:00 P.M.

The minutes of July 11<sup>th</sup> were approved as written.

I. CHAIR'S REPORT

Dr. Amenta announced the following:

- Researchers at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, lead by **Joseph Fondell, Ph.D**, associate professor of pharmacology, are studying the underlying mechanisms that cause invasive tumor growth, identified a key transcription factor, a protein which regulates the flow of information from DNA, that is over-produced in treatment-resistant prostate cancer, as well as the two protein kinases that trigger the process. This finding, published and highlighted on the cover of the July issue of *Molecular Cancer Research*, a journal of the American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) could be utilized to develop treatments for prostate cancer that is resistant to current therapies.
- The Office of the National Coordinator (ONC) announced that **Frank Sonnenberg, MD**, professor of medicine, was selected as one of 28 practicing providers & office staff from 18 states to serve as the inaugural class of Health IT Fellows. The Health IT Fellows will help promote and focus attention on stories, tools, and technical assistance that can be used in providers' offices nationwide – and to help make these tools better with the goal of keeping the patient at the center of care."
- **Fred A. Kobylarz, MD, MPH**, a board-certified geriatrician and family medicine practitioner with Robert Wood Johnson Medical Group, has been named to the New Jersey Alzheimer's Disease Study Commission. Dr. Kobylarz, who also is associate professor of family medicine and community health at Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and program co-director of the medical school's geriatric fellowship program, was one of nine individuals statewide appointed to the commission.

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, September 17, 2013

**6th Annual Pioneers in Endocrinology Workshop**

Busch Campus Center, 604 Bartholomew Road, Piscataway, NJ

10 a.m. to Noon – Scientific Presentations

**Speakers:**

**Jesse Roth, M.D., FACP**

*Professor of Molecular Medicine, Elmezzi Graduate School of Molecular Medicine and Professor of Medicine, North Shore---LIJ School of Medicine at Hofstra University; Investigator and Head, Laboratory for Diabetes and Diabetes---Related Research, The Feinstein Institute for Medical Research*  
**"Metabolic Syndrome"**

**Gerald I. Shulman, M.D., Ph.D.**

*George R. Cowgill Professor of Medicine (Endocrinology) and Professor of Cellular and Molecular Physiology;  
Investigator, Howard Hughes Medical Institute, Yale University*

**“Cellular Mechanisms of Insulin Resistance: Implications for Obesity, Lipodystrophy, Type 2 Diabetes”**

**Tuesday, October 8, 2013**

**Conversations with the Dean – Discussions with Community Physicians**

Conference Room 3405

Clinical Academic Building

Robert Wood Johnson Medical School

125 Paterson Street - New Brunswick, NJ

For more information, contact: [mccathrm@rutgers.rwjms.edu](mailto:mccathrm@rutgers.rwjms.edu)

**October 28, 2013 - 4:30 PM**

**New Faculty Orientation**

Conference Room 1302

Clinical Academic Building

Robert Wood Johnson Medical School

125 Paterson Street - New Brunswick, NJ

For more information, contact: [ruthe.reardino@rutgers.edu](mailto:ruthe.reardino@rutgers.edu)

**November 11, 2013 - 1:00 PM**

**Dean's Research and Monitoring Awards**

Conference Room 1302

Clinical Academic Building

Robert Wood Johnson Medical School

125 Paterson Street - New Brunswick, NJ

For more information, contact: [gelinace@rwjms.rutgers.edu](mailto:gelinace@rwjms.rutgers.edu)

**December 17, 2013 - 4:00 PM**

**Ira B. Black Memorial Lecture**

Main Auditorium

Robert Wood Johnson Medical School

675 Hoes Lane - Piscataway, NJ

Reception to follow in the Great Hall

**Speaker:**

**Joseph T. Coyle, MD**

Eben S. Draper Professor of Psychiatry and Neuroscience

Harvard Medical School

McLean Hospital

Belmont, MA

For more information, contact: [wheelebj@rwjms.rutgers.edu](mailto:wheelebj@rwjms.rutgers.edu)

- Dr. Amenta reported on the status of all active Search Committees.

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II. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

**PRESENTATION:** Joel Cantor, Sc.D., Director, Center for State Health Policy and Distinguished Professor, Department of Public Health - "Covering the Uninsured: Which New Jersey Adults Will Decide to Enroll in 2014?"

Dr. Cantor presented on the following topics:

- Update on where New Jersey currently stands on the "Affordable Care Act".
- Discussed statistical and census data, and coverage changes.
- Provided an ACA update.
- Discussed the anticipated expansion of the NJ Medicare program with 300,000 new members.
- Discussion on who is most likely to enroll and who most likely will not.

A discussion ensued and Dr. Amenta thanked Dr. Cantor for his information talk.

Dr. Amenta also made the following additional announcements:

- As a reminder, Dr. Amenta referenced a handout from Dr. David Kountz titled "Clinical Research and GME Opportunities with JSUMC".
- Mentioned that the next round of negotiations with RWJUH for the Master Payment Agreement is soon to begin. He will keep the Board informed on the progress.
- The Somerset Medical Center deal is done.
- Discussed JFK Hospital initiatives.
- ACO update.

Dr. Scardella provided a brief update on Managed Care:

- The position of manager of provider relations has recently been filled. He will keep the Board updated.

Dr. Sonnenberg provided a brief update on Clinical IT issues:

- Meaningful Use:
  - Pediatric practice update – staff and faculty have been trained.
  - PQRS – penalty phase and assessing penalties.

III. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

There were no action items.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Dr. Scardella presented the June financials discussing the following:

- FY13 Accrued Financial Statements
- June YTD FFS Work RVUs (including CINJ RWJUH)
- RWJMG Change in Financial Class (including CINJ RWJUH)
- P&L Statement
- Contract and A&S Due to RWJMG
- New Funds Flow Model

CLINICAL CARE/OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Dr. Eisenstein and Dr. Bachmann brought forth the following policies, which were included in the Board book for review, for the committee's approval. The policies presented were:

- 1. Use of Chaperones During Sensitive Patient Examinations and Chaperones Signage/Translation**
- 2. Appropriate Use of Phone Note and Flags in EMR**

A motion was made for the approval of these two policies. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

MANAGED CARE COORDINATING COMMITTEE

There were no action items.

STRATEGIC BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING COMMITTEE

There were no action items.

**iv. NEW BUSINESS**

*There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.*

*Respectfully submitted,  
Debbie Charity, Dean's Office*