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Partners Asthma Center Faculty Newsletter

Excellence in asthma care for children and adults



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Partners Asthma Center Offers "Mini-Grants"

Members of Partners Asthma Center are invited to apply for one of two \$5,000 mini-grants.

Research Mini-Grant

Do you have a research side-project that you wish to explore? A piece of equipment or supplies that might supplement your research project? Travel expenses for a research presentation at a meeting? The only requirement for receiving this Partners Asthma Center mini-grant is that your research publication or presentation acknowledge Partners Asthma Center along with your other affiliations.

Clinical Mini-Grant

Do you have an idea that will improve patient care or education at Partners Asthma Center? Want to design an asthma template for use on the electronic longitudinal medical record? Have an idea for an optically scannable patient questionnaire to be administered throughout the Partners Asthma Center network? Need financial support for creation of patient education materials? The only requirement for receiving this Clinical Mini-Grant is that the work is used within Partners Asthma Center and incorporates the Partners Asthma Center logo to indicate its source.

Application Procedure

Application for a Partners Asthma Center mini-grant is easy. Send a one-page summary of your proposal to Mark Anderson at asthma@partners.org (or by mail to PBB Clinics-3, 15 Francis St., Boston, MA 02115) by **June 1**. You will receive a response by **June 15**. Applications will be judged based on the likelihood that they will help people with asthma and promote Partners Asthma Center.

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More on the Gala Partners Asthma Center Dinner-Dance and Silent Auction, September 22

So, you are wondering what you can do to help make our Partners Asthma Center Dinner-Dance a success. You plan to come and to purchase tickets for you and your significant other, perhaps the whole family. You are thinking about something that you (or someone you know) might donate to the silent auction, like a weekend get-away for 2, dinner for 4 to a special restaurant, or tickets to a special sporting event. You have lined up someone you think will want to take an ad in our Event Brochure. Still, you wonder, what else can I do?

Here's something that we can all do. Identify 10 patients in your practice whom you think might like to attend. We would like to make





Asthma Center family: providers, patients, administrators, and pharmaceutical supporters. Perhaps you have wealthy patients who can sponsor an entire table. Perhaps you know someone who cannot afford the price of a ticket but is committed to the asthma community. He or she may be able to attend with a "scholarship" ticket made available by one of our sponsors.

We are currently having printed the Save-the-Date postcards shown here. Please consider to whom you might send 10 of these preinvitation postcards. The cards should arrive in your mail for distribution by the end of the month. Page 3 Partners Asthma Center

Other Partners Asthma Center Events and News

Asthma Grand Rounds

Friday, June 3, 8:30 a.m.

Obesity and Asthma

Dr. Kelan Tantisira

Location: BWH Bornstein Family Amphitheater Videoconferencing: MGH (Lawrence House)
NSMC (MAC-4, Davenport)

Annual Asthma Center Picnic

Do you enjoy an outdoor barbecue? Do you like children? Great food, great company, great conversation: an informal annual Asthma Center social event not to be missed!

Sunday, June 12

At the home of the Fantas 17 Chapin Rd., Newton 2:00—5:00 p.m.

Center of Excellence

Genentech has identified 11 Asthma Centers of Excellence around the nation to help develop a curriculum for community allergists and pulmonologists around difficult-to-control asthma and treatment with monoclonal anti-IgE antibody. Partners Asthma Center has been chosen to participate, the only Asthma Center on the East Coast and one of only a few academic medical centers.



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Save the Dates:

Partners Asthma Center Dinner-Dance

Thursday, September 22
Boston Marriott Hotel, Newton
and

Jeffrey M. Drazen, M.D. Visiting Professor Dinner

Thursday, December 8
Downtown Harvard Club, Boston



Teotihuacan Pyramids outside Mexico City