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Partners Asthma Center Faculty Newsletter

Excellence in asthma care for children and adults

Partners Asthma Center's Jeffrey M. Drazen, M.D. Visiting Professor, 2003

Dr. Sally Wenzel of National Jewish Medical and Research Center in Denver has accepted our invitation to come as the Partners Asthma Center Jeffrey M. Drazen, M.D. Visiting Professor this fall.

Dr. Wenzel is widely recognized for her clinical research regarding asthma, including her investigations into the pathobiology of severe asthma. She is Professor of Medicine at the National Jewish Center and Professor at the University of Colorado. She is Co-Director of the Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Clinical Research Unit at National Jewish and a member of the Editorial Board of the *American*



Journal of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine.

The dates for her visit are **Thursday & Friday, October 23 -24**. She will be giving Medical Grand Rounds at the MGH on Thursday, October 23 at 8:00 a.m. and at the BWH on Friday, October 24 at noon. It is anticipated that her Medical Grand Rounds topic will be related to her current research interest in severe asthma, perhaps: *Understanding and Managing Difficult Asthma*.

Our annual Visiting Professor dinner will be held on Thursday night, October 23. The site has yet to be chosen, although Maison Robert in Boston is a leading contender. You and your significant other are invited to come, so please save the date on your social calendar!



Brigham and Women's Hospital

Massachusetts General Hospital

Faulkner Hospital

Newton-Wellesley Hospital

North Shore Medical Center





Asthma Grand Rounds, 2003–2004

(Tentative Schedule)

September 19, 2003 IgE Biology and Anti-IgE Therapy *Hans Oettgen, M.D.*

November 21, 2003 Diagnosing and Managing Variant Forms of Cystic Fibrosis *Marcella Ruddy, M.D.*

January 16, 2004 Stress as a Contributor to Worsened Asthma in the Inner City Rosalind Wright, M.D.

March 5, 2004

Rhinosinusitis and Asthma: Roundtable Discussion Neil Bhattacharyya, M.D., James MacLean, M.D., and Robert Tarpy, M.D.

> June 5, 2004 Predictors of Asthmatic Exacerbations Aaron Deykin, M.D.

Partners Asthma Center Directory

Our Partners Asthma Center Directory is currently at the printer and should be ready for distribution in early April. Thank you for helping to complete the work. Please accept my apologies, in advance, for any inaccuracies that snuck into the final product despite intense vigilance! We plan to distribute the Directory to Partners Asthma Center members and to appropriate administrative leaders in our hospitals and at Partners. Please let me know if there is someone in particular whom you think should receive a copy.



Other Partners Asthma Center Events and News

Asthma Grand Rounds

Friday, June 6, 8:30 a.m.

Emergency Management of Asthma

Dr. Carlos A. Camargo, Jr.

Location: BWH Bornstein Family Amphitheater Videoconferencing: MGH (Lawrence House) and NSMC (MAC 4)

Annual Asthma Center Picnic

Sunday afternoon, **June 29** At the home of the Fantas in Newton Center

Plan to come, bring your family, and relax with colleagues and friends.

Asthma Grand Rounds Videotape Library

We have assembled a library of 14 videotapes from past and recent *Asthma Grand Rounds* presentations. You may find these video-lectures of interest personally and may wish to make them available to students, residents, and fellows interested in asthma and related topics.

We would be happy to duplicate the set for your Asthma Center site, for the cost of the blank tapes and labor. We will include a list of the available tapes in the next issue of our faculty newsletter.



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Save the Date: Visiting Professor Dinner Thursday, October 23, 2003



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