Being a Student Registered Nurse Anesthetist (SRNA) is an unforgettable time in one’s CRNA career, when there is very little time except to study, design care plans, attend class and learn how to provide anesthesia in the ORs. These nurses with impressive ICU experience are at the top of their game, motivated and have an obvious drive for success.

In ACCM, we currently host SRNAs from five different universities (University of New England, University of Pennsylvania, Fairfield University, Uniformed Services and U.S. Army Graduate Program) who rotate through our ORs gaining a variety of cases. Joanna Antkowiak, BSN, RN, SRNA from Univ. of Penn, “The variety of anesthetizing locations and breadth of cases was at first overwhelming, and now exciting and awesome. My cases have varied from a kidney transplant to outpatient eye procedures to a transsphenoidal pituitary resection to a tracheoesophageal fistula repair on 800 gm preemie to upper/lower scopes and so on.”

Saheel Patel, MSN, CRNA, is the Clinical Coordinator for Nurse Anesthesia Graduate Students ensuring that they receive an all rounded clinical experience complying with the Nurse Anesthesia council of Accreditation and meeting the educational standards of Johns Hopkins University. Mr. Patel adds, “Fostering an environment where the SRNAs can thrive and learn from the very best adds to the quality of clinical expertise of the profession and our institution.” Saheel maximizes the SRNAs’ experience at Hopkins by assessing individual needs, making sure appropriate resources are at their disposal while exposing them to a variety of surgical cases. Kate Shchapina, BSN, RN, SRNA from Univ. of Penn, comments, “Saheel has served as an anchor for the SRNAs.” (Cont. on page 2)
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He does not let us get comfortable, but pushes us constantly to grow into the best version of ourselves.” Lia Lacuone, BSN, RN, SRNA from Fairfield Univ. “Saheel truly pushed us every single day to improve and grow as practitioners. I walk away from this experience a stronger SRNA with a set of skills that I believe will carry me far.”

Our SRNAs are actively involved throughout the department. Last week, a SRNA delivered an amazing Grand Rounds patient case presentation involving a brittle diabetic. She relayed how challenging and rewarding it is to care for complex patients with high acuities and how it will make her better in her own practice moving forward. Students also attend CRNA led journal club on Thursday mornings, where evidence based practice articles are analyzed and discussed. In addition, many students partake in a pharmacology and pathophysiology board review and host a SRNA-led discussion of novel anesthetic techniques in interesting cases.

The Hopkins experience is so remarkable that many of the SRNAs who have trained here have joined the ACCM team to continue their anesthesia career. Maggie Mullin, BSN, RN, SRNA from Univ. of New England, reflects, “Every CRNA and MDA that we have the privilege to work with invest their own time and energy in guiding us toward success. They view us as colleagues, respect our opinion and outlook on individual cases, and offer their guidance and advice. We can tell that everyone wants us to have the very best experience here during our time at JHH.” Kate Bishop, BSN, RN, SRNA from Fairfield Univ., adds, “I was exposed to a ton of techniques, medications, and procedures that I had never done or used at other institutions. A student would be hard-pressed to find a more challenging and educational site for a clinical rotation.”

In less than a year, our CRNA Division will be welcoming our very own Johns Hopkins SRNAs to our department when we will involve them in all of our initiatives, social events and activities as we currently do with our SRNAs. A special thanks to all of you who are involved with the education of our SRNAs! You are making an impact!
Annual Congress and ADCE Meeting Requests

Please let me know if you are interested in attending the Assembly of Didactic and Clinical Educators (ADCE) meeting February 19-22, 2020. I would like to send a group of Hopkins CRNAs to this important meeting. Also, if you are interested in attending the Annual Congress Meeting next year in San Diego (August 14-18, 2020), please put in your Spinfusion requests early so priority can be given to those going to the meeting.

Annual Bonus Update

Great News! The bonus points have been tallied and verified and everyone is getting a bonus! I am anticipating that the FY19 bonus will be paid in the September 30th paycheck. Check out these statistics that demonstrate the engagement and productivity of our Division:

- 25% of people doubled the required 25 points; and 9% of which tripled the 25 points
  - Eggert (101), Goelz (143), Manning (101), and Sims (113) received over 100 points!
- 10 of the 25 metrics had over 50% participation;
- 3 of the metrics had over 90% participation (SRNA Education; Yearly evaluations, and slack pledge)
- All but 2 individuals received full points
- Metric 19 – CRNA journal club AND Metric 25 – clinically work in Wilmer Peds received least amount of participation. If you are looking for points participate in the CRNA Journal Club or join Wilmer Peds!

A special thanks to Patty for pulling together all of the data in an efficient manner. Also thanks to Alexandra, Erin and the Leads for their contributions. It was a huge undertaking.

Lead Meeting Topics
1. Workgroup Update
2. Yearly Evaluations
3. Bonus Metrics
4. Social Events
5. CRNA Cohorts
6. Break Relief

Thursday Morning Meetings are IMPORTANT! Grand Rounds, QUAC, CRNA Division Meetings is where things are happening. See you there!

Check us out on Twitter! @HopkinsCRNA Send us pictures highlighting our strengths from the ORs, Control Centers, social events, projects, and other activities. Don’t forget to follow!
Nurse Anesthesia Program Update

The applications for the JHU Nurse Anesthesia Program became available August 15th. The process will close in November with interviews at the end of the year. Students will start May of 2020…that’s in 8 short months!

CRNA Bonfire: November 2nd

Mark your calendar for the CRNA Bonfire on November 2nd. Belinda Gardner will host the event at her house in the middle of the forest, under the stars. We will have activities planned for the whole family including roasting marshmallows and making S’mores. It will be a fun by the fire! More details coming soon.

Thanksgiving Week Schedule

The work schedule for Thanksgiving week is nearly complete. Remember we are in the 2nd year of the Friday rotation, typical tracks are out, bonus points for those who work on Friday and everyone needs to work at least 2 days unless you requested off. Check your schedule and let me know if I need to make adjustments.

#BonusFY20StuckLate

The Leads are tasked to verifying the Stuck Late entries as it is linked to the bonus (not because we don’t trust you). They may ask you to clarify if there is missing information. Here are some tips to recording your stuck late entries:

1) Date 2) Building & Room number (ie WBG12) 3) Anesthesia stop time in Epic (don’t put 30 min past shift) exact end time is better. Must be at least 25 min past your shift end time.
4) If anyone is stuck late because they were assisting a colleague (challenging case, code, transfer, any situation that requires assisting) pls write details, no need for MRN just specify location and time.