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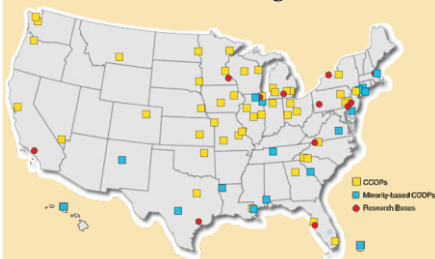
CHANCELLOR'S Notes



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LSUHSC leads patient recruitment to CCOP prevention trials

The LSUHSC Stanley S. Scott Cancer Center was the top enroller of patients in cancer prevention clinical trials at National Cancer Institute designated Community Clinical Oncology Programs (CCOP) for the month of August.



The Minority- Based CCOP at LSU Health Sciences Center has become a model multicenter program by including the participation of physicians from academic medical centers, private practice, not-for-profit hospitals, and community clinics. Participating physicians and nurses enroll patients onto clinical trials that are designed by oncology groups at the national level and offered to patients through centers NCI deems qualified to conduct clinical research. By comparing different therapies, the cancer treatment clinical trials develop improved therapies. Likewise, cancer prevention and control protocols are designed to decrease cancer incidence. LSUHSC's MB-CCOP provides services throughout most of South Louisiana. ■

UMC moves forward as Board approves business plan

The University Medical Center Board unanimously approved the business plan presented by Verite Healthcare Consultants yesterday at their meeting in our Isidore Cohn, Jr., MD Student Learning Center.



The LSU System's Dr. Fred Cerise addresses the Board

Under the plan, the cost of the project is reduced from the originally estimated \$1.2 billion to \$1.088 billion because revenue bonds will not be issued for construction, saving \$82 million in financing costs, and through continued value engineering of the project.

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LSUHSC student's project changes policy to improve health

Christopher Freeman, who earned a Master of Public Health degree in Health Policy and Systems Management from our LSUHSC School of Public Health this summer, led an effort that has resulted in a new law to prevent serious injury to young athletes from concussion.



Gov. Bobby Jindal and Chris Freeman, MPH, at the ceremonial bill signing

The effort grew out of Freeman's MPH Practice Experience project with the New Orleans Saints. He served as Chairman of the Louisiana Youth Concussion Coalition (LYCC), a statewide group of physicians, public health professionals, and organizations

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Keith Hearle, Verite President

The plan also concurs, as LSU has maintained, that LSU physicians can admit about 2,200 patients with third-party coverage who they now treat at other facilities and expand or develop new programs that will attract new patients.

Under these assumptions, the projected state subsidy paid for the delivery of indigent care has declined from previous estimates as well.

Jerry Jones, Director of the Office of Facility Planning and Control in the state's Division of Administration, reported to the Board that construction of the hospital can begin immediately once he's given the go-ahead.

UMC Board Chairman Bobby Yarborough will present the business plan to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget next Friday at the Capitol, seeking to gain approval for construction. ■

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who worked to create and pass youth concussion management legislation in Louisiana. The NFL has been heavily involved in similar efforts around the country with the help of their teams.

Freeman also chaired the drafting committee, a small sub-group that modeled the bill on Colorado's law because it was much more inclusive and a good fit for Louisiana.

He testified to both the Senate and House Committees on Health and Welfare, where the bill authored by Sen. Sherri Cheek, got unanimous support. The bill also passed the Senate and House floor unopposed. Co-authors were Sens. Jack Donahue, Dale M. Erdey, Lydia Patrice Jackson, Michael J. "Mike" Michot, Willie L. Mount, and Ben W. Nevers, as well as Reps. Neil C. Abramson, Jeffery "Jeff" J. Arnold, Austin J. Badon, Jr., Damon J. Baldone, Regina Ashford Barrow, Jared C. Brossett, Richard T. Burford, Henry L. Burns, Timothy G. "Tim" Burns, Jean M. Doerge, Jerry Gisclair, John E. Guinn, Joe Harrison, Lowell C. Hazel, Cameron Henry, Dorothy Sue Hill, Walker Hines, Frank A. Howard, Michael L. Jackson, Robert A. Johnson, Kay Kellogg Katz, John LaBruzzo, H. Bernard

LeBas, Walt Leger, III, Anthony V. Ligi, Jr., Nick Lorusso, Jack Montoucet, Helena N. Moreno, J. Rogers Pope, Jerome Richard, John M. Schroder, Sr., Scott M. Simon, Gary L. Smith, Jr., Jane H. Smith, Karen Gaudet St. Germain, Ricky J. Templet, Major Thibaut, Jr., Mack A. "Bodi" White, Jr., and Thomas P. Willmott.

The Governor signed Bill 189 into law on June 29th, and Freeman, who is also an Assistant Manager in Purchasing, participated in a ceremonial signing at the Governor's Mansion on September 6th.

The MPH Practice Experience is a project or activity that immerses the student in one of more aspects of public health operations under

the guidance of a preceptor. This fieldwork may include, but is not limited to: community education, health promotion, program planning, program organization or management and/or grant writing. ■



Testifying at the Legislature