



# CHANCELLOR'S *Notes*



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## LSUHSC's Gee helping address leadership void

**D**r. Rebekah Gee, Assistant Professor at LSU Health Sciences Center New Orleans Schools of Public Health and Medicine, is the lead author of



an article published in the January 28, 2012 issue of *The Lancet* regarding the initial effort to

address a void in medical education worldwide – leadership.

Dr. Gee is the only physician from the United States to serve on the inaugural Inter Academy Medical Panel (IAMP) Young Physician Leaders program held during the third World Health Summit in Berlin, Germany whose charge was to begin to remedy this deficit. The IAMP sent out a global call for nominations for physicians aged 40 years or younger with demonstrated leadership skills in medicine or public health, and 22 participants were chosen, representing 18 countries.

Focusing on developing and nurturing future leaders will be critical to shaping effective global health policy for millions in need. ■

## LSUHSC & NODA give kids a smile

**L**SUHSC dental school faculty, residents, students, dental hygiene students and alumni helped improve the smiles of about four dozen kindergarten students from Smith Elementary School in Violet this morning.



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## Cerise headlines Allied Health Alumni Day

**D**r. Fred Cerise, Vice President of Health Affairs and Medical Education at the LSU System Office, gave the keynote address at the LSUHSC School of Allied Health Professions Alumni Day Saturday. His topic was *Current Trends in Healthcare Delivery*.



Dr. Cerise covered everything from the uninsured to measures of quality in health care. Among those are the success of the disease management programs and the electronic health records in LSU hospitals.

He explained the Affordable Care Act and discussed its impact and financial sustainability. Dr. Cerise clarified the medical home concept and how it functions within the LSU Health system.

Dr. Cerise's talk was timely and very well received.

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## Smile, from page 1

Each child was screened visually to determine the health of their teeth, gums, and mouths. Children who needed follow-up care were referred, and in this group there were 15 – two with urgent needs. They also received instructions for proper brushing and flossing as well as oral health and general health education.

The LSUHSC School of Dentistry has two clinics for children, neither of which has a waiting list. The Pediatric Dental Clinic is on the 4th floor of the Jeansonne Building at 1100 Florida Avenue. To make an appointment for kids ages 0-6, call (504) 941-8201, and for ages 7-15, call (504) 941-8196. The dental school also staffs the Special Children's Dental Clinic at Children's Hospital, 200 Henry Clay Ave. Call (504) 896-1337 for an appointment.



Give Kids a Smile Day was co-sponsored by the New Orleans Dental Association. Each child left with a crown, a goodie bag with a toothbrush, toothpaste and stickers, and a big smile. ■

## Allied Health, from page 1

More than 100 alumni, students, faculty and colleagues participated in events throughout the day which kicked off with a breakfast reception.



Following Dr. Cerise's continuing education presentation, those in attendance had the opportunity to participate in inter-professional educational sessions, which included information on falls prevention, technology applications for communication, and competency and

performance improvement. ■

## Celebrating partner's milestone

LSU Health Sciences Center leaders joined Copeland executives and family, along with business, civic, and government leaders to celebrate the Grand Re-opening of Copeland's on Veterans Boulevard in Metairie this week. Al Copeland Investments and the Al Copeland Foundation donated funds for the \$1 million Al Copeland/Cancer Crusaders Chair in Neuroendocrine Cancer at LSU Health Sciences Center. They made another donation in conjunction with this milestone in their history.



*Al Copeland, Jr. cuts the ribbon*

The Health Sciences Center and Al Copeland Investments and the Al Copeland Foundation continue to partner to promote health. In that vein, Copeland's is featuring a new offering – the 550 Calorie and Under Menu which made its debut on our campus in December.



*Vice Chancellor Ron Gardner, with Liz and Al Copeland, Jr.* ■