

National expert to teach cutting edge policy at LSUHSC

The LSU Health Sciences Center New Orleans School of Public Health is bringing a national expert on new IRS reporting requirements for taxexempt hospitals and health systems in to teach public health policy students and community health professionals on Monday, September 24, 2012.

Julie Trocchio, who lectures nationally

for the American College of Healthcare Executives, will lecture on The Affordable Care Act's New IRS Reporting Require-



ments from 9:00 - 10:45 a.m. at the LSUHSC School of Public Health, 2020 Gravier, 3rd floor, Room 303.

New requirements for taxexempt hospitals and health systems were introduced by the Affordable Care Act that charge healthcare organizations to take a more proactive and structured approach to serving their communities. The requirements include conducting community health needs assessments and developing implementation strategies to address identified priorities. Policies and practices related to financial assistance, billing and collections are also impacted by the law.

LSUHSC Dental School has banner week

The week began on an exciting note when New Orleans Saints running back and return specialist, #43 Darren Sproles, joined Dr. Joey Lacoste, President of Louisiana Dental Center and 1980 graduate of the LSUHSC School of Dentistry, and his colleagues, to present a check to Dean Henry Gremillion, DDS, for the third season of the Big Turnover Program.



Louisiana Dental Center, a private group dental practice, unites a commitment to support the LSUHSC School of Dentistry with its enthusiasm for New Orleans Saints see Turnover, page 2

Hundreds converge for LSUHSC/Ochsner NET Conference

hey came to New Orleans from all across the country this week to learn the very latest about their rare tumors from the world's leading experts, including LSUHSC's Drs. Eugene Woltering, Phil Boudreaux, Daniel Raines, Yi-Zarn



Dr. Eugene Woltering presenting on NET markers

Wang, and Richard Campeau, along with Licensed Dietician/Nutritionist Leigh-Anne Burns. Patients with carcinoid and other neuroendocrine tumors filled the hotel's Grand Ballroom for the 2012 NET Patients Conference.

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football by pledging to donate, or turn over, \$250 for every takeaway the Saints' defense creates. This year, Louisiana Dental Center presents a donation of \$8,500. The gift represents \$5,000 toward renovating and upgrading the preclinical

teaching labs at the dental school, as well as \$3,500 to support the LSUHSC Dental Summer Enrichment Program, an intensive program for undergraduate students from under-represented minorities or disadvantaged backgrounds to prepare them for dental school admission and improve the diversity of the dental profession serving Louisiana.

Senior dental students had the opportunity to meet Darren Sproles, get his autograph, and a picture with the talented and versatile player. Since he doesn't play defense and can't contribute to the program as it stands, Dr. LaCoste added a new facet to the program this season. Now, in addition to the \$250 pledge for every Saints takeaway, Louisiana Dental Center will donate \$200 for every touchdown Darren Sproles scores.



Drs. Henry Gremillion and Kristi Soileau Alumni Association President, flank Dr. Robert Skinner



The week ended with the School of Dentistry's Alumni Day. The only dental school in Louisiana celebrated its

40-year legacy of e d u c a t i n g Louisiana's dental professionals. Since 1972, the LSUHSC School of Dentistry has conferred 5,088 d e g r e e s an d certificates in the field of dentistry. About 75% of the



Dr. Cheuk accepting his award from Dr. Gremillion

dental professionals practicing in Louisiana are graduates of the LSUHSC School of Dentistry.

The day's activities included presenting the Alumnus of the Year Award to Dr. Robert Lee Skinner ('86), and the Shawky Mohamed Distinguished Faculty Award to Dr. Shu Lau Cheuk, Professor Emeritus of Comprehensive Dentistry and Biomaterials.

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are present throughout the nervous and endocrine systems. They are rare, slow-growing, and produce vague symptoms. They can be so difficult to diagnose that it can take years. Patients adopted the zebra as their symbol as a message. Medical students are taught to think horses when they hear hoofbeats, not zebras. But sometimes, they really do signify zebras, and only if you suspect it, can you detect it.

The LSUHSC/Ochsner Neuroendocrine Tumor Program, based in Kenner, is one of only a few NET Programs in the country and among the only places in the world where, on any given day, patients can see any one of a number of specialists expert in their disease. These LSUHSC specialists are also very active in research, advancing knowledge and treatment of neuroendocrine tumors. The success rate of this program makes

it one of the most respected and highest demand programs anywhere.