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CPMC Performs Successful PFO Closure

In January 2007, CPMC successfully performed percutaneous closure of a PFO in a young man in his 30's who had suffered two previous neurological events. He was hospitalized at two outside institutions and no diagnosis was given for his events. The patient was admitted to CPMC in December after suffering another neurological event. He was evaluated by Dr. Jack Rose of the Stroke team and the diagnosis of PFO and presumed cryptogenic stroke was established on a transesophageal study. He was discharged within 24 hours after his procedure and is doing well. He is the 13th patient who has been treated at CPMC since 2004, and all of them have been asymptomatic with a maximum follow-up of nearly three years.

3rd Annual Sutter Pacific Heart Centers Nursing Symposium Gets Very Favorable Marks

On February 27, 2007, the Sutter Pacific Heart Centers held its third annual nursing symposium which provided a comprehensive approach to Managing the Cardiovascular Emergency and Achieving Quality Care in the Midst of a Crisis. Topics covered during this program included

- ❖ Acute Myocardial Infarction: The Amazing Race...Time is Muscle!
- ❖ Think "FAST" for Stroke
- ❖ The Silent Epidemic: Sudden Cardiac Death
- ❖ Acute Aortic Emergencies: Don't Try This at Home

241 attendees registered for this nursing conference, and 13 Vendors supported the program. We gained a total of \$26,800 in vendor support, which surpasses our total support by \$6,200 from last year. The evaluation forms turned in at the end of the symposium so far look to have very high marks. They will be tabulated over the next few weeks and will be provided in greater detail in a future newsletter.

Complimentary Registration Available for the McClelland Visiting Professorship Program: 04/25 – 04/27

The next McClelland Visiting Professorship Program will take place during the dates of April 25 – 27, 2007. We are very excited to have Drs. Donald Baim, Dean Kereiakes and William O'Neill who will be presenting a series of several lectures and case presentations over 2 ½ days located at MGH and CPMC facilities, as well as offsite locations for our Special events. In addition, because of the outstanding caliber of our three visiting professors, we will be conducting a full day symposium on intervention; this very special event will be on Thurs, 8:00 am to 3:30 pm at CPMC's Enright Room. The topics that will be addressed during this program are listed below.

- MGH Grand Rounds and Case Presentations - Offered in the MGH Conference Center on Wed, 4/25/07 from 7:45 - 10:30 am - also - Via Live Teleconference to the CPMC Pac Level A Conf Rm from 7:45 - 9:15 am
 - "Chronic Total Coronary Artery Occlusion"
 - "Status of Embolic Protective Devices"
 - "Anti-Platelet Therapy"
 - Case Presentations
- CPMC Cardiology Grand Rounds - Offered in the CPMC Enright Rm on Wed, 4/25/07 from 12:00-1:00 pm
 - "Leading Edge Therapy of Acute MI"
 - "Regionalized Care of Acute MI"
- CPMC Cardiovascular Surgery Grand Rounds - Offered in the CPMC Board Rm on Fri, 4/27/07 from 8:00 - 9:00 am
 - "Percutaneous AVR, MV Repair"
- CPMC Cardiology Grand Rounds - Offered in the CPMC Enright Rm on Fri, 4/27/07 from 12:00 - 1:00 pm
 - "Percutaneous Therapy for Structural Heart Disease (PFO, ASD, HOCM)"
- Special Nursing Event: "The Percutaneous Approach to Valvular Heart Disease - An Overview" – Offered at Fresca Restaurant on Wed, 4/25/07 from 4:00 - 5:30 pm – **Registration Required** for this event
- INTERVENTIONAL SYMPOSIUM - Offered in the CPMC Enright Rm on Thurs, 4/26/07 from 7:30 am - 3:30 pm - **Registration Required** for this event
 - "PCI vs. Surgery - Which Procedure for which Patient?"
 - "New Drug Eluting Stent Platforms"
 - Case Presentations by Local Physicians
 - "The Great Debate: Drug Eluting Stents Have Done Away with the Achilles Heel of Stenting (Restenosis)
Vs. "Yes, But it May Have Been Replaced by the Sword of Damocles (Thrombosis)"
 - "Challenges in Stenting Complex Coronary Lesions"
 - "The Vulnerable Plaque - Identification and Proposed Solutions"
- Special Evening Event: "What do We Want Interventional Cardiology to Look Like in Five Years?" – Offered at the California Palace of the Legion of Honor on Thurs, 4/26/07 from 6:00 - 9:30 pm – **Registration Required** for this event

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