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|  | **MBSC News** |
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| **Mark Your Calendars!**  **Upcoming MBSC Tri-Annual Meeting Dates:**  **Friday, October 5, 2018**  *\*\*\*\*\*Frederik Meijer Gardens &*  *Sculpture Park*  *Grand Rapids, Michigan*  **Friday, February 1, 2019**  *The Baronette Renaissance Hotel*  *Novi, Michigan*  **Friday, June 7, 2019**  *The Baronette Renaissance Hotel*  *Novi, Michigan*  *Image result for frederik meijer gardens & sculpture park* **BCBSM Expectation Statement**It is BCBSM/BCN’s strong expectation that CQI Coordinating Centers continue to remind site participants that clinical data and outcomes cannot be used for marketing or competitive purposes. For instance, while a site participant can acknowledge their commitment to quality by participating in a CQI, it is not appropriate for a site to use CQI data to state they are better in any way or share or promote CQI performance ratings/rankings outside of their institution.   **2018 MBSC Data Entry Deadlines**   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Monthly Date | All Cases Entered Through OR Date | | 5/31/2018 | 1/31/2018 | | 6/30/2018 | 2/28/2018 | | 7/31/2018 | 3/31/2018 | | 8/31/2018 | 4/30/2018 | | 9/30/2018 | 5/31/2018 | | 10/31/2018 | 6/30/2018 | | 11/30/2018 | 7/31/2018 | | 12/31/2018 | 8/31/2018 |   **Websites to Remember:**  **MBSC:**  [*www.michiganbsc.org*](http://www.michiganbsc.org)  **PCORI:**  *www.myweightlossjourney.net*  **Public Facebook:**  */MichBariSC*  **Coordinator Facebook:**  */MBSC Coordinators*  **Surgeon Facebook:**  */Michigan Bariatric Surgery Collaborative*  **Public Twitter:**  *@MichBariSC*    **MBSC Mission Statement**  MBSC aims to innovate the science and practice of metabolic and bariatric surgery through comprehensive, lifelong, patient-centered obesity care – in Michigan and across the United States.  MBSC rests on the core pillars of collaborative quality improvement: collection of detailed clinical data on outcomes and practice; timely, rigorous performance feedback to clinicians; and continuous improvement based on empirical analysis and collaborative learning.  Image result for mission statement clipart | Welcome! We offer our warmest welcome to our June, 2018 guest speaker, Diana Thomas, PhD.  ​Diana M. Thomas received her Ph.D. from the Georgia Institute of Technology in 1996. She then completed a National Research Council funded post-doctoral fellowship at the United States Military Academy and the Army Research Laboratory. In 2000, she joined the faculty of the Montclair State University where she was a professor of mathematics for 17 years. She also served as the director of the Montclair State University Center for Quantitative Obesity Research.  Dr. Thomas is currently a professor of mathematical sciences at the United States Military Academy at West Point. She holds joint research appointments at the Columbia University New York Obesity Research Center and the Pennington Biomedical Research Center and serves on the editorial board for the European Journal of Clinical Nutrition, PloS One, and The Journal of Obesity and Metabolic Research. She has published over 80 peer-reviewed articles in exercise, fitness, nutrition, and body weight regulation relying on diverse mathematical methods ranging from differential equations to machine learning. Some of the questions she is investigating are "Why do individuals not lose more weight during exercise?", "How can we objectively monitor diet in humans?", and "Does body shape and posture predict injury?" Her work has been covered by the New York Times, Wall Street Journal, Fitness Magazine, Good Housekeeping, CBS News, and ABC News. She currently resides in NJ with her husband, three children, two cats and a guinea pig.  Please help us welcome Dr. Thomas!    Patient Advisory Panel  The MBSC has 8 active patient advisors. We would like to thank all of our advisors for participating in a variety of collaborative activities over the past year, and we look forward to their input and engagement in 2018. If you have any patients who would be interested in becoming a patient advisor, please send their contact information to Haley Stevens ([hsteve@med.umich.edu](mailto:hsteve@med.umich.edu)).    MBSC Quality Improvement Study Updates    **Michigan Perioperative Initiative to Reduce Readmissions and ED Visits**  **(M-PIRRE)**  Since the last collaborative meeting in February, the two M-PIIRE interventions have continued to move forward. There has been overwhelming positive feedback from both the providers and patients who are already participating in the wristband and wallet card intervention.  100% of patients (n=65) were either Satisfied or Very Satisfied with the wristband and wallet card program. There is high compliance (97%) and utilization (80%) of both tools. All patients believed the wristband and wallet card would provide Moderate or Great Benefit to other bariatric patients. The clinical champions reported the intervention was relatively east to adapt and incorporate into their programs.  Initial evaluation of our patient-centered intervention demonstrates overall positive usability, feasibility, and acceptability. Relatively minor areas for improvement, coupled with the straightforward nature of the intervention, makes it ideal for broad dissemination and evaluation We anticipate being able to enroll additional sites in the late summer or fall.  Additionally, we have begun our Urgent Care intervention that involves facilitating education and communication networks with local Urgent Care centers near our 6 volunteer sites. As part of this process, the DCC is surveying ~550 random patients on their attitudes and experiences with Urgent Care Centers. Preliminary data suggests positive patient attitudes towards Urgent Care centers, especially when they have been recommended to one by their surgeon. Concurrently, the DCC is contacting Urgent Care centers and using a standardized assessment tool to assess their capabilities in caring for post-operative bariatric patients and their openness to participating in this intervention.  This initiative is a process in evolution. We welcome your input into the design and execution of this QI project. The staff contact for this initiative is Haley Stevens (hsteve@med.umich.edu).    **Improving Patient Decisions about Bariatric Surgery**  The revised patient decision aid, now called “My Weight Loss Journey” (MWLJ) has been completed and recruitment of patients to evaluate the tool has been wrapped up.  To date, 318 patients have completed the baseline survey and the MWLJ tool.  Of those patients, 137 have completed the 3-month follow-up survey evaluating the tool itself as well as their satisfaction with the decisions surrounding bariatric surgery. Initial analyses on these data are well underway and we plan to disseminate the tool for public consumption following these analyses. The new tool aims to better educate patients preoperatively and to encourage longitudinal education and follow-up. It also seeks to help reaffirm patients’ decision to pursue bariatric surgery.    **Do you have a question or need more information about MBSC?**  We are available to help you with your MBSC questions. Contact us either by email or phone – we are here to help you.  ***Project Director:***  **Amir Ghaferi, MD, MS**  [aghaferi@med.umich.edu](mailto:aghaferi@med.umich.edu)  734.641.3151  ***Associate Director:***  **Jonathan Finks, MD**  [jfinks@med.umich.edu](mailto:jfinks@med.umich.edu)  734.695.8921  ***Associate Director:***  **Oliver Varban, MD**  [ovarban@med.umich.edu](mailto:ovarban@med.umich.edu)  734.232.2323  ***Surgical Coaching Program Director:***  **Justin Dimick, MD, MPH**  [jdimick@med.umich.edu](mailto:jdimick@med.umich.edu)  734-998-7470  ***Lead Senior Project Manager:* Amanda Stricklen, RN, MS**  [aoreilly@med.umich.edu](mailto:aoreilly@med.umich.edu)  734.998.7481  ***Senior Project Manager:***  **Rachel Ross, RN, MS**  [rachacoo@med.umich.edu](mailto:rachacoo@med.umich.edu)  734.998.7502  ***Senior Statistician:***  **Aaron Bonham, MSc**  [bonhamaa@med.umich.edu](mailto:bonhamaa@med.umich.edu)  734.998.7503  ***Quality Improvement Coordinator:***  **Haley Stevens, MPH**  [hsteve@med.umich.edu](mailto:hsteve@med.umich.edu)  734.998.7510  ***Coaching Program Coordinator:***  **Tedi Engler**  [tedi@med.umich.edu](mailto:brownnat@med.umich.edu)  734-998-9222  ***Follow-Up Coordinator:***  **Gale O’Reilly**  [goreilly@med.umich.edu](mailto:goreilly@med.umich.edu)  734.998.7514  ***Administrative Assistant:***  **Christina Karst**  [ckarst@med.umich.edu](mailto:ckarst@med.umich.edu)  734.647.3151    **Coaching Intervention to Improve Technical Skill in Bariatric Surgery**  The MBSC Surgical Coaching Program held another successful session during the February 2018 quarterly meeting! The program involves the evaluation of a coaching intervention to improve technical skills and outcomes.  Currently, the final exit interviews are being completed and the group is working on preliminary results. We are beginning to plan for the next steps for the coaching program.  Any questions regarding this study should be directed towards Tedi Engler ([tedi@med.umich.edu](mailto:tedi@med.umich.edu)). **Using Video Analysis to Improve Sleeve Gastrectomy Outcomes:** The goal of this project is to use the analysis of operative videos to determine best practices with laparoscopic sleeve gastrectomy. Surgeons have been asked to submit a sleeve gastrectomy video to be edited and uploaded for review using a validated instrument by their peers.To date, 47 videos have been edited and uploaded to the platform and 47/47 videos (100%) have been reviewed by at least 10 MBSC surgeons. Video ratings are crucial to this project and we are continuing to encourage surgeons to login to the platform to review and rate each video. Dr. Varban will discuss the next steps to the video review project at the June 1st MBSC Quarterly Meeting. Any questions regarding this study should be directed towards Amanda Stricklen (aoreilly@med.umich.edu).  **PCP Engagement** With continued support from BCBSM and led by Dr. Varban, the MBSC is committed to engaging with PCPs to improve care for obese patients across the state Michigan. After multiple collaborative workgroups between PCPS and surgeons, a web-based toolkit for PCPs has been created and will provide easy access to data-driven resources such as the MBSC Outcomes Calculator, as well as bariatric surgery programs. The new website is live and can be accessed at [www.michiganbsc.org](http://www.michiganbsc.org).   The MBSC has also been invited to present at the upcoming PGIP meeting in September. This meeting will set the stage for bridging the gap between PGIP POs/PCPs and MBSC surgeons and also identify common ground for cross-collaborative initiatives. Please email Dr. Varban at [ovarban@med.umich.edu](mailto:ovarban@med.umich.edu) with any feedback, questions or concerns.  Image result for collaboration  **Social Media Update**  **MBSC Participating Sites**  Beaumont Dearborn  Beaumont Grosse Pointe  Beaumont Royal Oak  Beaumont Troy  Beaumont Wayne  Borgess Medical Center  Covenant HealthCare  Forest Health Medical Center  Fresno Heart and Surgical Hospital  Harper University Hospital  Henry Ford Hospital  Henry Ford Macomb Hospital  Henry Ford West Bloomfield Hospital  Henry Ford Wyandotte Hospital  Hurley Medical Center  Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital  Lake Huron Medical Center  Lakeland Community Hospital  McLaren Flint  McLaren Macomb  McLaren Port Huron  Mercy Health Partners  Mercy Health – Saint Mary’s Campus  Metro Health Hospital  Michigan Medicine  Mid-Michigan Medical Center-Gratiot  Mid-Michigan Medical Center-Midland  Munson Medical Center  North Ottawa Community Hospital  Oakland Regional Hospital  Sparrow Health System  Spectrum Health System  Spectrum Health Zeeland  St. John Hospital and Medical Center  St. John Oakland  St. John Providence Health System  St. Joseph Livingston Hospital  St. Joseph Mercy Oakland Hospital  St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Livonia  St. Mary’s of Michigan, Saginaw  UP Health System, Marquette  War Memorial Hospital            ddd  **Facebook:**  MBSC has three Facebook sites that are up and running:   * The MBSC Public Page * The MBSC Coordinator Page * The MBSC Surgeon Page   We have emailed information regarding signing up for these sites. If you wish to receive the information again, please contact Amir Ghaferi ([aghaferi@med.umich.edu](mailto:aghaferi@med.umich.edu)) for the surgeon page and Rachel Ross ([rachacoo@med.umich.ed](mailto:rachacoo@med.umich.ed)) for the coordinator page.  *\*\*It is important that no PHI be shared on these forums. The surgeon page requires accepting a terms of agreement to participate.*  **Twitter:**  The next #OBSM tweet chat will be held on June 10th from 9 pm to 10 pm EST. Please invite any interested colleagues or patients to join! For more information on how to participate in tweet chats or for general Twitter questions, please contact Dr. Ghaferi ([aghaferi@med.umich.edu](mailto:aghaferi@med.umich.edu)) or Haley Stevens ([hsteve@med.umich.edu](mailto:hsteve@med.umich.edu)).    http://sps-corp/hcve/cpd/PGIP/Value%20Partnerships%20Communications%20Library/Department%20Templates%20and%20Logos/New%20VP%20logo%20color%20no%20tagline.jpg |