

MAKING THE ROUNDS

APRIL 2019

Valley Fever Institute at Kern Medical

Royce H. Johnson, MD, Medical Director of the Valley Fever Institute was invited by House Majority Leader Congressman Kevin McCarthy to participate in a Roundtable Discussion about Valley Fever at the US Capitol.

Congressman Kevin McCarthy, Co-Chair of the Congressional Valley Fever Task Force, held a Valley Fever Roundtable with Members of Congress, leading researchers, patient advocates, doctors, and scientists from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and National Institutes of Health (NIH). McCarthy released the following statement:

“Today’s roundtable was an excellent opportunity to bring together the brightest minds from around the country for an update on efforts to combat Valley Fever. This meeting also served as a chance to address the progress that has occurred and must continue in order to fight this disease.

“Doctors and scientists taking the lead are working diligently to develop a vaccine and I’m proud to report that an updated research study is being conducted by NIH, in partnership with Duke University, which will hopefully bring to light new solutions to stamp out Valley Fever.

“I want to thank Dr. Chiller (CDC) and Dr. Erbelding (National Institute



of Allergy and Infectious Diseases/NIH) for their update on this progress. I’d also like to thank all of our illustrious panelists for being here with us today, including Dr. Royce Johnson who is leading the fight back home at Kern Medical and Rob Purdie who has been a passionate advocate at the Valley Fever Americas Foundation. Finally, thank you to Congressman Schweikert (AZ-06) for serving as Co-Chair of the Congressional Valley Fever Task Force and for working with me to bring more awareness to this issue on a federal level. Together we can continue building upon our successes while working to find new ways to stop this disease in its tracks.”

Expanding the Valley Fever Institute will allow us to continue our mission to increase education & awareness for the public, patients and health care providers; provide the best pa-

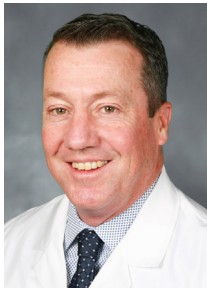
tient care available and promote research that includes epidemiology, clinical drug development, prevention, immunology and immunizations.

UPDATE:

We are pleased to welcome Rasha Kuran, MD to the Valley Fever Institute Team. Rasha is a Kern Medical Alumni and is returning to Kern Medical after running a successful private practice in both Orange County and Bakersfield. The team is actively working on developing an Infectious Disease Fellowship that will focus on Coccidioidomycosis (Valley Fever).



NEW PHYSICIANS & TRAUMA TEAM



JOSH TOBIAS, MD is an Emergency Medicine Physician and a former Kern Medical EM Resident. Dr. Tobias has been practicing for more than 20 years.



REHANA RAFIQ, MD is a Pediatrician with more than 40 years of experience. She is currently practicing at our Truxtun Office Location.



PATRICK PIEPER, MD is an ENT-otolaryngologist who recently joined Kern Medical. Dr. Pieper received his medical degree from Keck School of Medicine at USC and has been in practice for more than 20 years.



ALALEH BASMI, MD is an Internal Medicine physician who recently joined Kern Medical full-time. She is a former Kern Medical IM Resident with more than 20 years of experience.

Surgical Affiliates is the new team managing our trauma and acute care patients.



To read the previous issue of Making the Rounds www.KernMedicalFoundation.com.

OB/GYN SIMULATION LAB

The OB/GYN Simulation Lab opened earlier this year with support from the Kern Medical Foundation. The lab features two laproscopic simulators and an assortment of tools for our OB/GYN residents.



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TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT STUDY, PLEASE CALL 661.326.6589

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Kern Medical by the Numbers

Annual Stats
FY 2018 FINANCIAL REPORT



200+

Residents, Fellows,
and Medical Students



9,735

Admissions



44,399

Emergency
Department Visits



144,006

Physician Office
Visits



1,700+

Employees



5,741

Surgeries

UPCOMING EVENTS



KernMedical RESEARCH FORUM

*Join us for a stimulating evening to learn about the exciting research
being done at Kern Medical.*

MAY 2 | **5:00PM** POSTER VIEWING
5:30PM OPENING REMARKS

BAKERSFIELD COUNTRY CLUB
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62nd ANNUAL *Resident & Fellow Graduation*

Friday, May 31, 2019

Hosted Cocktail Hour 5pm - 6pm
Ceremony & Dinner 6pm - 8:30pm
Mento Buru & Dancing 8:30pm - 12am

The Woman's Club of Bakersfield
2030 18th Street

Business Attire
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Refine by Kern Medical is a luxury-inspired medical spa, driven by results. At REFINE, our goal is to help you look and feel your best, and love the skin you're in! Our extensive menu of skin care services and non-surgical enhancements guarantee that we have something for everyone, whether you are looking to refresh and revitalize your appearance, minimize a specific problem area, or simply relax and get away from it all for a while. We have a dedicated team of aesthetic professionals who work with you to develop a comprehensive program designed just for you, composed of

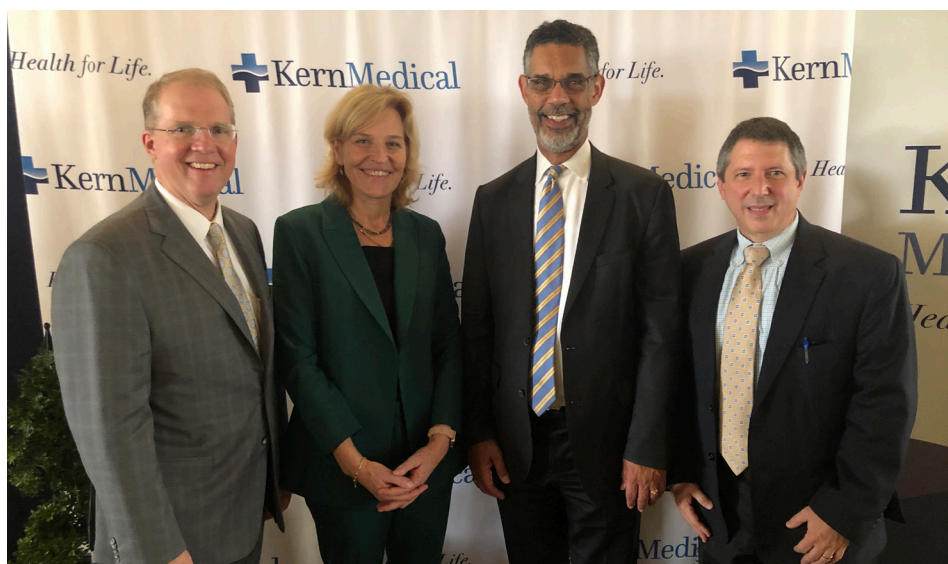
services that are perfectly suited to achieve your unique objectives.



COMING SOON



UCLA TOWN HALL MEETING



In January, Kelsey Martin, MD, PhD, Dean of the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA and Clarence H. Braddock III, MD, MPH, MACP, Vice Dean for Education & Chief Medical Education Officer traveled to Bakersfield for a Town Hall Meeting. Drs. Martin & Braddock discussed ways to strengthen our relationship and opportunities for synergy between UCLA and Kern Medical. We look forward to continuing to grow our partnership.

COCCI STUDY GROUP

Several members of the Valley Fever Institute Team traveled to Sacramento for the 63rd Annual Cocci Study Group. Royce H. Johnson, MD moderated a discussion of clinical

cases, which included presentations from Golriz Asefi and Christina Donath. The Valley Fever Institute is pleased to be hosting the 65th meeting in Bakersfield in April 2021.

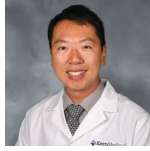


GRADUATING RESIDENTS & FELLOWS 2019

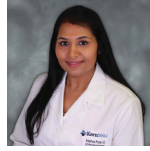
Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship



CARLOS
Fernandez, MD



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Lee, MD



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Patel, MD

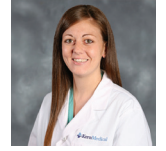
Emergency Medicine



ADDIE
Bugas, MD



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Kincaid, MD



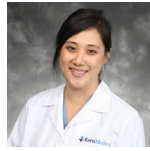
AMANDA
Montgomery, MD



TAMI
Moore, MD

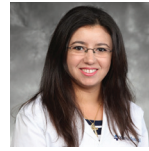


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Stapleton, MD

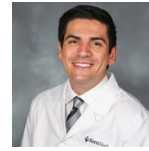


JASMINE
Wang, MD

Internal Medicine



MARIAM
Abdelmussleh, MD



KAVEN
Hosseinzadeh, MD



NADIR
Khan, MD



LEILA
Moosavi, MD



MANDAKINI
Patel, MD



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Salameh, MD



AHANA
Sandhu, MD



BASEL
Shoua, MD



RAMANJEET
Sidhu, MD

Obstetrics & Gynecology



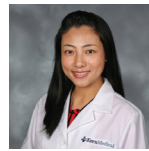
MARYAM
Talai-Shahir, MD



JULIA
Canders, MD

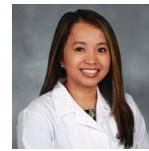


ROXANNE
McDermott, MD

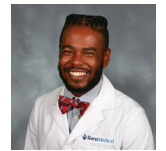


WANCHI
Zeng, MD

Clinical Pharmacy



FRANTZE
Agiarap, PharmD



ROBERT
Chiles, PharmD

UROLIFT



We are pleased to share that Shahab Hillyer, MD a member of our Urology team is the only local physician performing the UroLift procedure. UroLift is a minimally invasive BPH treatment. It is an outpatient procedure that uses tiny implants to hold open the obstructed pathway that is blocking during flow, addressing the blockage, not just continuously treating enlarged

prostate (BPH) symptoms. An earlier alternative to medical therapy that provides rapid relief and recovery of BPH symptoms. The UroLift is minimally invasive and offers better symptom relief than medication with a lower risk profile than TURP.

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EPILEPSY MONITORING UNIT



The National Association of Epilepsy Centers (NAEC) has accredited Kern Medical as a level 3 epilepsy center for 2019 and 2020. Accredited epilepsy centers provide a comprehensive program to diagnose and treat epilepsy with a patient-oriented team approach consisting of an epileptologist (a neurologist with expertise in treating seizures), neurosurgeons, neuropsychologists, nurse specialists, EEG technologists, social workers, and others with training and experience in epilepsy care.

The Kern Medical Epilepsy Center is a member of the USC Epilepsy Care Consortium, a unique and unprecedented partnership comprised of six of the 21 NAEC-accredited epilepsy centers in California. The six centers in the USC Epilepsy Care Consortium span Orange, Los Angeles, Kern, and Madera Counties. Kern Medical is one of 239 accredited epilepsy centers in the country, and the only adult center between Los

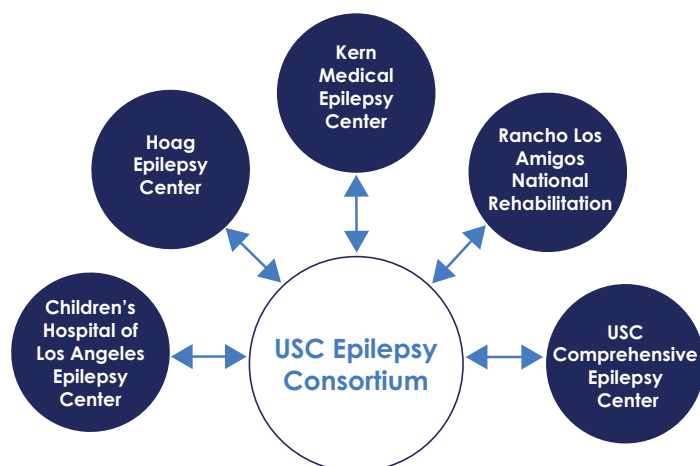
Angeles and Sacramento.

“The USC Epilepsy Care Consortium was created to facilitate the development of epilepsy centers, and we are delighted that adult patients in Central California now have access to this important service,” says Dr. Charles Liu, Surgical Director of the Kern Medical Epilepsy Center and Secretary of the USC Epilepsy Care Consortium.

“Our Center is solving many of the problems faced by the thousands of patients living in Central California who have limited access to epilepsy care,” says Dr. Hari Veedu, Medical Director of the Kern Medical Epilepsy Center. “Whether it’s challenges finding transportation to Southern California for care, long wait times to receive specialized treatment, provider issues with some insurance companies, or the long-term commitment needed for services hundreds of miles away, the Kern Medical Epilepsy Center is offering that relief.”

Epilepsy is the fourth most common neurological problem, affecting more than 33,000 residents in Kern County. Nationwide epilepsy affects approximately 3 million adults and 500,000 children.

KERN MEDICAL & THE USC EPILEPSY CONSORTIUM



UPCOMING EVENTS

April 25

Bakersfield Women's Business Conference

May 2

Resident Research Forum

May 31

Graduation

June 7

GME Summit

June 25

New Resident Day

August 10

Valley Fever Walk

September 28

Kern Medical Day at the Kern County Fair



Kern Medical

DOC FOR A DAY

We hosted the 2nd Annual Doc for a Day Reunion at Stockdale Country Club in February. Guests had a chance to continue their “medical education” at a variety of stations that included: An Anatomage Table, simulation manikin, Valley Fever images, distracted driving, suturing and more. Sage Wexner, MD provided a talk about his journey and the future of simulation at Kern Medical and beyond. Sage is a former EM resident and has completed a Simulation Fellowship at UC Davis. We are excited that Dr. Wexner will



be joining our faculty to design and lead the Simulation Program at Kern Medical. If you are interested in

supporting the simulation program, please contact Erica Easton at (661) 489-5253.

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH UNIT

The renovations for the Behavioral Health Unit, formerly known as the IPU were completed in March.



BEFORE



AFTER

CERNER IMPLEMENTATION

We have been working on implementing a new Electronic Health Record (EHR). We will be transitioning to Cerner on July 1st.

SUMMIT CERNER IMPLEMENTATION PROJECT

OUR COMMITMENT TO
KERN MEDICAL'S TRANSFORMATION



CAL MED FORCE

The Kern Medical Foundation is excited to announce that we will be receiving \$1,575,000 in funding from Cal Med Force for three of our Residency Programs.

Emergency Medicine \$600,000
Internal Medicine \$675,000
OB/GYN \$300,000

KERN COUNTY FAIR

Kern Medical will once again return to the Kern County Fair on September 28th. The day will feature a variety of interactive community education opportunities for the public. We will also feature an alumni, resident and



faculty fellowship area. Stay tuned for more details.





Valley Fever Symposium

for Primary Care Providers

Presented by the Valley Fever Institute at Kern Medical

DATE	LOCATION	TIME
April 10, 2019	Bakersfield Petroleum Club	5:30pm Registration & Social 6:00pm Program & Dinner

RSVP: RSVP@KernMedical.com Questions: 661-489-5231

AGENDA

<p>6:00pm A Special Message <i>Congressman Kevin McCarthy</i></p> <p>6:05pm Welcome <i>Russell Judd, CEO, Kern Medical</i></p> <p>6:15pm Coccidioidomycosis: Primary Care <i>Royce H. Johnson, MD, Medical Director</i></p> <p>6:45pm Pneumonia: Valley Fever vs. CAP <i>Rasha Karan, MD, Associate Medical Director</i></p> <p>7:00pm Valley Fever & Headaches <i>Arash Heidari, MD, Associate Medical Director</i></p>	<p>7:15pm Sands PPC Study Enrollment <i>Dana Brucker, RN, Research Manager</i></p> <p>7:30pm Coccidioidomycosis & Pregnancy <i>Augustine Muñoz, MD, Associate Medical Director</i></p> <p>7:45pm Experts Panel: Q & A</p> <p>8:15pm Closing Remarks</p>
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KERN MEDICAL VALLEY FEVER INSTITUTE TEAM



Royce H. Johnson, MD



Arash Heidari, MD



Rasha Karan, MD



Dana Brucker, RN



Augustine Muñoz, MD

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Nephrology

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Pulmonology
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Neurology
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