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It truly is amazing the work you do and care you provide. You never really know how it might end up impacting someone's life. For many, recovering, walking again, and getting home is a success.



Good afternoon! Despite the rough weather this weekend, I hope you made the best of it and had a good one complete with rooting on the home team in the World Series!

I realize not everyone is a big sports fan who might read my weekly message, which you will often find with a brief mention or two about the Patriots, Celtics, and of course the Red Sox. But today I wanted to spend a little more time on the sports theme as it plays such a special role in the life of one of our patients.

Perhaps many of you have already heard the remarkable story of Mary Latowski of Coventry, but if you haven't, what an inspirational and fun story it is! First, you should know that Mary is 102. Yes, that's right—102 and loves life and her Red

Sox, especially Mookie Betts!

About a month ago, Mary had a debilitating stroke leaving her unable to walk on her own and with minimal control of her left leg and arm. Mary spent 25 days working with Kent Hospital's Acute Rehabilitation team where she underwent therapy every day for three hours. Over the course of three weeks, Mary regained strength on her left side and was discharged on Tuesday, October 23, able to walk independently with her walker.

For many, that would be plenty good enough, but not for Mary.

During her stay, the rehab team also worked with her to ensure she was able to continue the hobbies she loved at home, such as baking. With the guidance of the rehab team, Mary made a blueberry pie from scratch, using her own recipe, in the Acute Rehab kitchen. The activity boosted her confidence, showing Mary how far she had come in her therapy.

For Mary, baking a blueberry pie was great; however, she had her eyes set on bigger goals. Her main motivator to get through the intense therapy sessions was a promise from her grandson—tickets to see the Red Sox in the 2018 World Series. Mary was determined to attend her fourth World Series watching her Red Sox take the field. Leading up to this year's World Series, the playoffs were always on in Mary's room, where she and her roommate would fill the floor with cheers.



Mary attends Game 2 of the World Series at Fenway Park with her two grandchildren. Photo courtesy of the Latowski family.

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"It takes a strong individual to be able to come in completely debilitated, unable to stand, unable to sit up straight, completely dependent on all of her care, and then at 25 days have the ability to get to a Red Sox game," said Luke Davis, executive director of Rehabilitation Services at Kent Hospital.

Mary's daughter Linda commented that without the expertise of Kent's Acute Rehabilitation unit she is positive that her mother would not have the strength to navigate the trip to historic Fenway Park and to her seat. Although pushed in a wheelchair by her grandchildren, Mary was still required to take the steps down (and then back up) to her seat, which she did with both grace and excitement.

Mary became a fan at 14 when she would listen to the Red Sox games on the radio. She recalled biking to the local mill where her brothers worked and yelling the score through the windows. At the time there were no flood lights so all the games took place in the afternoon. A true lifelong fan, Mary's family has supported her love of the game. During one game, while sitting on the first base line, Mary was passed a ball from her favorite player, Mookie Betts. At the same game Mary's grandson caught a foul ball, which she kindly passed over to her neighbor, a young boy.

Last Wednesday, Mary attended her fourth World Series game alongside her two grandchildren. She watched the Red Sox claim their second win against the Dodgers from six seats behind home base. Today, The Red Sox are world champions once again with Mary's story going on to be shared nationally. It first appeared on local television last week, and then in *The Boston Globe*. News outlets across the country picked up her story of determination and enthusiasm. In fact, Mary was briefly highlighted on both Fox Sports official World Series game coverage and during the Red Sox radio broadcast on WEEI, their flagship station!

I hope you will take a few minutes to review the clips I have included. Mary is an inspiration to many! She expressed determination and grit and in the end, she realized her dream of getting to another World Series. This also would not have been possible without the support of her rehab team and everyone involved in her care at Kent. It truly is amazing the work you do and care you provide. You never really know how it might end up impacting someone's life. For many, recovering, walking again, and getting home is a success. For Mary, it was that and much more!

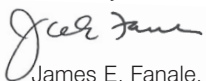
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Sincerely,



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THE PROVIDENCE CENTER

Jim Gillen Teen Center hosts Senator Sheldon Whitehouse



Recently, U.S. Senator Sheldon Whitehouse visited the Jim Gillen Teen Center for a firsthand look at the groundbreaking work the program is doing to help teens in recovery. He spoke with staff members about the services provided, including discussion groups, movie nights, and art workshops. Whitehouse also participated in a sit-down with staff and two teens who regularly use the center, and had the opportunity to hear about their experiences in recovery. Staff also weighed in on challenges in the behavioral health field.

Opened in June of this year by Anchor Recovery, the Jim Gillen Teen Center is the state's first center designed for teens in recovery from addiction. The Center is staffed by people in long-term recovery and offers teens age-

appropriate supports including meetings, one-on-one recovery coaching, and activities.

Butler's Memory and Aging team presents research at national conference



Last week, Butler's Memory and Aging Program (MAP) joined more than 1,000 researchers at the Clinical Trials in Alzheimer's Disease (CTAD) conference in Barcelona, Spain. The team presented encouraging results of a study they performed on the reliability of a new, more efficient screening test known as the Spartan Test Cube to identify whether or not an individual is a carrier of the ApoE gene, associated with a higher risk for Alzheimer's Disease. The current method of testing can take several weeks, but the Spartan Cube test can give results in about one hour and 10 minutes. Findings showed that the Cube gave the same results as the currently used test for 100 percent of the samples.

Program Director Dr. Stephen Salloway co-chaired a session at the US-EU Task Force on combination treatment for Alzheimer's Disease, and MAP researchers Athene Lee and Jessica Alber chaired a session on disclosure of Alzheimer's risk. Post-doctoral fellow Louisa Thompson also presented on the impact of disclosure of ApoE and amyloid positron emission tomography (PET) for participants in MAP's registry-based study, and gave presentations about risk disclosure in the A4 and Generation studies by colleagues from the University of Pennsylvania.

WOMEN & INFANTS

Rhode Island Hospital/Women & Infants tunnel improvements now underway

The tunnel connecting Women & Infants and Rhode Island Hospital will be under construction for improvements through February 15. The scope of the project will include finished walls, new ceiling, new fire safety controls, new floors, LED lighting, and improved means for communication.

The expectation is that the tunnel will remain open during this time. We ask that security be contacted prior to a patient transport so they can do a pass through in advance of the patient going through.

- Hours of the work will be 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.
- In the event of a code, the contractors will clear the area to allow access back and forth.
- Staff will be able to pass through the tunnel, but if you have an alternate route we are asking that you use it.



One of the challenges faced is how to complete the flooring installation without disrupting tunnel traffic. Flooring is one of the last steps in the process and the methods to accomplish this are being evaluated. The expectation is that we will find a way to accomplish the flooring without a tunnel closure, but if the means are not found we will have ample time for advanced planning.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact Dave Neely, director of engineering, at dneely@CareNE.org or at ext. 43007.

WOMEN & INFANTS

Applications being accepted for Women & Infants' Welch Award and Mattis Award

In January, Women & Infants will hold the 7th Annual Patient and Family Experience Summit. This event provides an opportunity to celebrate the tremendous dedication of our staff and members of our Patient & Family Advisory Councils for providing exceptional patient and family centered care.

As in previous years we will be honoring two members of Women & Infants' staff, one clinical and one non-clinical, by presenting the Welch Award for Continued Excellence in Patient and Family Centered Care. We will also again honor the commitment of one of our Advisory Council members with the presentation of the Mattis Award. We are now seeking nominations for both awards.

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The Welch Award application can be downloaded at <http://carenet/upload/WIHWelchAwardAppOctober18.pdf> and The Mattis Award can be downloaded at <http://carenet/upload/WIHNooreenMattisAwardAppOctober18.pdf>. Applications must be returned electronically to modonnell@wihri.org. **The deadline for all nominations is Friday, November 23.** All nominees and award recipients will be honored at the summit.

CARE NEW ENGLAND

Marketing Communications introduces new project management process and branded templates

Care New England Marketing Communications Department supports all operating units and corporate services with internal and external communications. The team is also responsible for managing the brand for the system to support consistent usage across all mediums. To support this effort, a resource page is now available on **carenet** with guidelines and templates. It is important for employees to follow the instructions provided when using the templates and work with the appropriate department contact for guidance and support.

The following resources are available for download at <http://carenet/carenet/marketing/index.cfm>.

- Brand and style guidelines with information on standards for graphic design and writing.
- Electronic letterhead for digital communications, internally and externally.
- Email signature templates for personalization.
- Powerpoint templates for presentations.
- General letter and legal-sized templates for creating flyers and posters for internal communication.
- Employee appreciation invitation and poster templates.

You will also find department contact information for each operating unit. To request services for public relations, advertising, web, and social media initiatives on a project or campaign basis, contact the appropriate person. To help improve efficiency and increase accountability, the department is also formalizing a project development process, timeline, and approvals. This includes timelines for the development of content and subsequent production, needed approvals, and printing instructions.

The team gives priority to projects/campaigns that support business goals established by executive leadership of CNE and each of the operating units. Ample advance notice is required, and budget considerations will apply.

BUTLER

Butler Hospital Capone lecture postponed

Due to unexpected circumstances, the 2018 Capone lecture at Butler Hospital originally scheduled for October 30 has been postponed. A new date for the lecture has not yet been determined. Registrations for the event have been refunded. Please accept our apologies for any inconvenience.

CARE NEW ENGLAND

Holiday food drive

Last year employees at Service Road joined together, bringing in 399.5 lbs of canned goods and additional products to help fight hunger. All collected items were delivered to Westbay Community Action, a charitable organization dedicated to serving the disadvantaged of Kent County through nearly 40 programs that include newborn nutrition, senior safety, a food pantry, and supportive housing.

This year the goal is to donate 1,000 lbs of food between November 1 and November 30 and to do so we'll need contributions from across our health system! Food boxes will be available throughout at each operating unit for donations, so consider picking up a few extra items at your next shopping haul as your contribution will truly impact those in need.



Reminder! Community benefit activity due by Wednesday, Oct. 31

It is that time of year again to submit community benefit reports (CBISA) for Care New England and its operating units. As part of the justification for our non-profit status, we need to report to the IRS the community benefit work that our organizations sponsors or supports. A reminder that CBISA filing only applies to the hospital organizations and does not apply to CNEMG, The Providence Center, or the VNA of Care New England.

If you or your staff has participated in a community event from October 1, 2017 through September 31, 2018, please download and complete the form at <http://carenet/upload/CommunityBenefitActivityFormFinal2018.doc>. Once complete, send it to CNEphysicianrelations@CareNE.org by Wednesday, October 31.

Please see the guidelines below for what counts and what does NOT count as a community benefit. For a program to count as a community benefit activity:

- It must address a documented community need.
- It must have at least one of these community benefit objectives:
 - Improve access to health care services.
 - Enhance health of the community.
 - Advance medical or health care knowledge.

A program DOES NOT count as a community benefit if:

- The program is primarily for marketing purposes.
- The program or donation is unrelated to health or the hospital's mission.
- An objective "prudent layperson" would question whether the program truly benefits the community.
- The program benefits the organization more than the community.
- The program represents a community benefit provided by another entity or individual.
- Access to the program is restricted to individuals affiliated with the hospital.
- The activity represents a normal "cost of doing business" or is associated with the current standard of care.

If you have any questions, please email CNEphysicianrelations@CareNE.org.

KENT

Kent Hospital's community Peripheral Arterial Disease (PAD) screening this Saturday

On **Saturday, November 3 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.** in Kent's Ambulatory Services Pavilion, community members can receive a free screening for Peripheral Arterial Disease (PAD). Those at risk for developing PAD typically smoke or have smoked cigarettes; have diabetes, high blood pressure, or high cholesterol; are obese or engage in limited physical activity; and/or have a family history of cardiovascular disease or stroke.



"Peripheral Arterial Disease is often considered a warning sign as other arteries, including those in the heart and brain, may also be blocked. This increases the risk of a heart attack or stroke," explains Guy Lancellotti, MD, vascular surgeon, Kent Hospital's chief of surgery, and a member of Care New England Medical Group. "An accurate diagnosis is the first step in reducing that risk."

During the event attendees will:

- Be screened for PAD by a Kent Hospital vascular technologist.
- Have a one-on-one conversation with Dr. Lancellotti, or Dr. Garima Dosi, vascular surgeon, and affiliate of Brigham & Women's, about their symptoms and screening results.
- Receive guidance on next steps.

For more information on the event visit: <http://www.kentri.org/news/vascular-screening.cfm>. Registration is not required.

AmazonSmile is increasing the donation rate 10 times from Oct. 29 through Nov. 2

Thanks to customers shopping at smile.amazon.com, AmazonSmile has donated more than \$100 million to charities around the world! To celebrate, Amazon is launching its biggest bonus donation to date—five percent for five days. From Monday, October 29 through Friday, November 2, AmazonSmile is donating 5 percent, 10 times its usual rate, on all eligible smile.amazon.com purchases.



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