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**Good afternoon! As part of our ongoing effort to ensure CNE's voice is heard as the health care landscape continues to change nationwide,**

W&I President and COO Rick Majzun traveled to Washington, DC last week to meet with members of Rhode Island's federal delegation and ensure access to quality health care remains a top priority for the 116<sup>th</sup> Congress, which will convene on January 3, 2019. Care New England has maintained a strong relationship with our elected officials at the local, state and federal level, which will continue to serve us well moving forward. With a shift in the balance of power following the November election, having a direct line of communication with our representatives, as well as serving as an ongoing resource for them, will be more important than ever.



The Rhode Island delegation in Washington, DC—Senators Reed and Whitehouse, Congressman Langevin and Cicilline—continues to support our position regarding the importance of the 340B Drug Pricing Program, which requires drug manufacturers to provide expensive drugs to eligible providers at significantly reduced prices, and agrees with the ongoing efforts to delay cuts to Medicaid Disproportionate Share payments, which will cost safety-net hospitals nationwide (including Women & Infants) more than \$4 billion starting on October 1, 2019. All four members of the delegation also joined us in opposition to a rule being proposed by the Department of Homeland Security regarding the definition of public charge. If implemented, the rule would have a significantly negative impact on our ability to provide necessary care to pregnant women, mothers, and young children. Concerns around site-neutral payments and a continued focus on the growing opioid epidemic were also discussed.

While we are pleased the Federal Trade Commission has approved our acquisition by Partners, it is not surprising that members of our federal delegation have asked questions about the impact of this deal specific to Rhode Island. Our dialogue with all of them remains open and honest, and I expect that to be the case throughout the approval process. We continue to address their concerns, but remain steadfast in our belief that a deal with Partners is good for Care New England, for the local economy, and most importantly for Rhode Island health care consumers.

Have a great week!

Sincerely,

James E. Fanale, MD  
President and Chief Executive Officer

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## Kent Hospital dedicates Simulation Training Lab



Residents perform a simulation on the SimMan training robot.

training more efficient and realistic for medical students, residents, physicians, nurses, techs, and other clinical personnel.

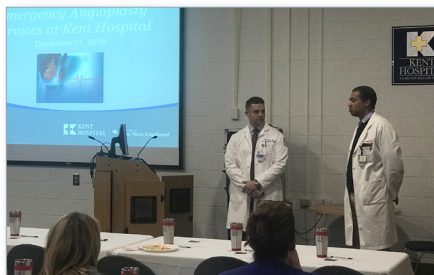
Last week, Kent Hospital staff and supporters gathered to celebrate the dedication of its simulation lab (Sim Lab), located in the Graduate Medical Education (GME) Center. The new space is designed to house SimMan® 3G, a lifelike adult patient simulator which will provide real-life training to Kent Hospital's residents and students. The lab, which includes a control room and procedural simulation equipment and ultrasound, was made possible by the generosity of the Luigi Damiano Foundation; represented at the event by Frank Lafazia, DO.

SimMan can imitate an incredible array of medical conditions, from breathing problems and drug reactions to heart attack and stroke, and is able to recognize administered medications. All of these features serve to make

Residents gave attendees a demonstration of SimMan, which breathes, cries, has a pulse, and even bleeds. "This simulation lab space is critical to our continuing goal of quality improvement." said Kent President and COO Robert Haffey.

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## Kent Hospital holds STEMI educational seminar



Last Tuesday, Kent Hospital held a free seminar for the EMS community focusing on its emergency angioplasty services. Approximately 50 people attended, comprised primarily of community emergency responders. Kent Hospital provides a life-saving procedure for a ST-elevation myocardial infarction (STEMI). The educational forum was held for the second year with the goal of helping to provide the EMS community with a better understanding of the Kent-based program and the level of expert care provided for this condition requiring quick treatment when this type of diagnosis occurs. Presenters included:

Chester M. Hedgepeth, III, MD, PhD  
Executive Chief of Cardiology, Care New England

Robert Haffey, MBA, MSN, RN  
President and COO, Kent Hospital

Peter Graves, MD  
Chief, Emergency Department, Kent Hospital

Edward Thomas, MD, FACC  
Director, Kent Hospital Cardiac Catheterization Lab

Visit <http://www.carenewengland.org/cardiology/stemi.cfm> to learn more about Kent's STEMI program.

THE PROVIDENCE CENTER

## Anchor's Roxxanne Newman receives New England Psychological Association award



Photo courtesy Rhode Island College News

Anchor recovery coach Roxxanne Newman was recently awarded the Honorary Undergraduate Scholar Award by the New England Psychological Association (NEPA) for her commitment to academics and advocacy in the community. Newman, who is seeking a dual degree in Psychology and Chemical Dependency from Rhode Island College (RIC), was one of only five students from colleges and universities throughout New England to receive the award. Award winners are distinguished for meeting high standards in academic performance, research, service work on campus and in the community, and for their serious interest in the field of psychology.

In addition to her role at Anchor, she is president of RICovery, a RIC student organization that provides peer-to-peer support around addiction, and also has conducted research in RIC's Infant and Child Lab.

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Newman says her interest in work around psychology and addiction comes from her own personal struggles with substance use. "I took something that was meant to destroy me [addiction] and used it to provide hope and light for those who are still struggling in the dark. I believe it's not the fall that defeats us but staying on the ground," said Newman.

"Roxanne Newman's on- and off-campus work around addiction has led her to seek benefit for others, and Rhode Island College has been enriched by it," said Professor of Psychology David Sugarman. "Without question, I am proud of all that she has done."

Visit RIC's website at <http://www.ric.edu/news/Pages/Two-RIC-Scholars-Win-NEPA-Award.aspx> for more on the award.

CARE NEW ENGLAND

## CNE leadership seminar holds commencement ceremony



On the December 7, a commencement ceremony was held at the Hope Club for Class 14 of the Care New England Leadership Seminar. The program began at Butler Hospital in 2006 and expanded system-wide in 2010. The Leadership Seminar provides new and emerging leaders with a comprehensive opportunity to engage with a cohort of peers from across the System to explore, discover and advance their leadership competencies. This is accomplished through a wide range of experiences including lectures, assessments, activities, individual development plans and projects.

To date, the Leadership Seminar has graduated more than 150 participants with a 33 percent promotion rate. In addition to the very talented and committed participants, the success of the program depends on the strong support of the participants' supervisors, volunteer facilitators and guest presenters—many of whom are program alumni—who share their time and talent. Recruitment for Class 15 will begin in late January. The seminar runs from March-December. Stay tuned for more details and keep your high-potential team members in mind.

Members of the recent graduating class are photographed with Butler Hospital President and Chief Operating Officer Mary Marran; TPC President and Chief Operating Officer Deborah O'Brien; and CNE SVP Human Resources Tish Devaney. Not present are: Erika Bell (WIH) and Carra Beth Constantine (KH)

Anderson, Brian (CNE)  
Anderson, Michael (CNE)  
Bell, Erika (WIH)  
Braddock, Nicole (CNE)  
Brouillette, Janet (KH)  
Constantine, Carra Beth (KH)  
DiPrete, Karen (KH)  
Divona, Christopher (CNE)  
Edlund-Wynn, Sofia (CNEMG)  
Isaiah, Benjamin (TPC)  
Jordan, Clotilde (KH)  
Levesque, Maria (KH)  
Luis, Christine (WIH)  
Marshall, Peter (TPC)  
Martin, Melissa (CNE)

Marusak, Caitlin (BH)  
Maynard, Doreen (CNE)  
Miller, Lawrence (TPC)  
O'Rourke, Michelle (TPC)  
Riccitelli, Michael (CNE)  
Richard, Justin (CNE)  
Serna, Kelly (CNE)  
Silva, Brieona (CNEMG / WIH)  
Sinesi, Karen (CNE)  
Smith, Kimberly (KH)  
Souza, Stephen (TPC)  
Tavares, Jill (TPC)  
Tirrell, Eric (BH)  
Whitty, David (TPC)  
Winsor, Melissa (BH)



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## Care New England partners with Providence College and URI Basketball

CNE has partnered with Providence College and URI Men's Basketball (and PC Hockey) for marketing opportunities both in-arena and associated media advertising. The sponsorship will last through the duration of the basketball season and will serve as an opportunity to pair with well-respected institutions, while also connecting with important audiences to promote an array of CNE services. Stay tuned for more information about ticket giveaways and promotional events at both the Ryan Center and the Dunk.



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## Spirit of giving

Across our organization, folks are doing so much to give back to our patients and community, particularly during this time of the year. We would love to share your "good deeds" on our social media sites and in next week's internal communications messages. Share your photos and your good deeds by Thursday, December 20. Please note that by submitting photos, we are assuming that all staff in the photos have given permission to be posted on social media.

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 The Providence Center – Jake Bissaro [jbissaro@carene.org](mailto:jbissaro@carene.org)  
 VNA of Care New England – Amy Blustein [ablustein@carene.org](mailto:ablustein@carene.org)  
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## 2019 calendars are in!

The 2019 Care New England "year at a glance" wall calendars are in! Calendars are available at:

Butler Hospital

- Arboretum

Kent Hospital

- Dining Room
- Human Resources

The Providence Center

Service Road

VNA of Care New England

Women & Infants Hospital

- Reception desk in the South Pavilion lobby



If you are not located at or near one of these sites, please email [marketing@carene.org](mailto:marketing@carene.org) to have a copy interofficed to you. 