Roper St. Francis Healthcare, MUSC plan rehabilitation hospital in Berkeley County
New 43-bed facility will support local communities

Staff Report

Roper St. Francis Healthcare and MUSC have collaborated on caring for our community,” said Patrick J. Cawley, M.D., MUSC Health CEO and vice president of Health Affairs, University. “We’ve partnered for years on sharing rehab beds in downtown Charleston, so every patient seeking rehabilitation can be served, and we’ve also come together to help patients who suffered spinal cord injuries.”

Additionally, Roper St. Francis Healthcare and MUSC also collaborated on a stroke care initiative focused on sharing resources, clinical expertise and technology to improve and expand stroke care throughout the Lowcountry.

The cost of the proposed project has not yet been determined. Later in January, Roper St. Francis and MUSC plan to file a joint request to DHEC to build the rehabilitation hospital to offer comprehensive care including rehabilitation nursing, physical therapy, occupational therapy, recreational therapy, speech language pathology and rehabilitation case management.

MUSC Health’s Patrick MacConnell delivered a bouncing baby boy at MUSC on Jan. 8 when the patient couldn’t wait.

By Jenna Lief
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For many, the new year brings the hope of exciting new possibilities. But for Patrick MacConnell, MUSC’s director of organizational excellence, he never could have predicted just how spontaneous those possibilities could be.

While walking to his office, he came face to face with a situation outside his realm of expertise. Nothing could have been further from his mind than delivering a baby just feet from the hospital’s doors. But on Jan. 8, during his routine early morning walk across campus, that’s exactly what MacConnell would do.

Around 8 a.m., an SUV raced up to the entrance of the hospital, and a woman hopped right out of the passengers’ side. MacConnell thought to himself that this woman was obviously distressed and very pregnant, when right before his eyes, her water broke on the sidewalk. She actually had to use her hand to hold the baby from coming. It was clear she would not make it into the hospital, so MacConnell immediately jumped into action.

While his only real experience with childbirth was watching his wife give birth to their two children, he didn’t think twice about helping this complete stranger at one of the most important moments of her life. While a crowd of bystanders had gathered,

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MUSC first in state to test robotic bronchoscopy on peripheral lung cancer

MUSC among eight national sites to test bronchoscope

By Helen Adams
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Lung specialist Nick Pastis, M.D., has high hopes for the new robotic bronchoscopy machine he’s testing at MUSC. “This could really be a game changer,” he said.

MUSC is one of only eight sites across the country taking part in a feasibility study testing whether the robotic bronchoscope can get to lung spots that are otherwise hard or impossible to reach and do a biopsy to see if they’re cancerous. The device is the only one in South Carolina.

“It’s a novel way to provide better access to peripheral lung nodules, which are on the outer parts of the lungs,” Pastis said. “With Medicare’s approval of lung cancer screening, physicians are being inundated with multiple lung nodules. We’ve been looking for safer ways to evaluate and diagnose. The best way to treat lung cancer is to catch it early, and this is part of that process.”

Pastis, who is part of the pulmonary team at MUSC Hollings Cancer Center, said the procedure has already been approved by the Food and Drug Administration. “It has the opportunity to diagnose lesions in the periphery of the lungs with potentially a high success rate.”

He hopes it will serve as a badly needed new option. “Other than surgical biopsy and more risky needle biopsies done with radiology, we struggle to find an alternative that’s safe and effective. Bronchoscopy for peripheral nodule diagnosis has been a challenge.”

While doctors have been able to use endobronchial ultrasound since the early 2000s to detect cancer between the lungs, the area called the mediastinum, spots on the periphery have been tougher to tackle. “There are a lot more airways and turns,” Pastis said. “Your scope can’t go through the lung. It has to follow the airways. So you’re limited where you can get out to lesions.”

He said the robotic bronchoscope, which uses navigation software, could change that. “We feel like this scope has the potential to improve on what we do with bronchoscopy. It really anchors the scope in a distal position and it really gives fine articulation and reach out of the lung periphery that is superior to what we’ve seen before.”

The MUSC study, led by Pastis’ colleague Gerard Silvestri, M.D., is enrolling patients. “To qualify for this study, you’d have to have a lung nodule, a spot on the lung seen on a CAT scan between 1 and 5 centimeters, with suspicion that it could be cancer and not something else that would go away with antibiotics, like an infection,” Pastis said.

“Lung cancer is the leading cancer-related cause of death in American adults. The American Cancer Society estimates more than 142,000 Americans will die from lung cancer this year. MUSC Health has a lung cancer screening program through Hollings Cancer Center, a National Cancer Institute-designated cancer center. Pastis encourages people who meet the criteria for screening to get checked.”

For information about the robotic bronchoscopy trial, email Michael Balassone or call 843-792-6696.
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How are you changing what’s possible at MUSC
By meeting many people and providing them with friendly help.

Pets
My dog, Ginger

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Working at a veterinarian’s office

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Kindergartners learn about community helpers at MUSC Children’s Health

By Leslie Cantu

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MUSC Children’s Health physician assistant Helen Kulseth rustled in her bag and pulled out a tool that most of the 75 or so kindergartners seated in front of her had probably seen at their doctors’ offices.

“This one is a special one I use all the time,” said Kulseth as she held it up for all to see. Kulseth specializes in ear, nose and throat disorders.

“It’s something that’s supposed to be for your ears!” a little girl piped up.

“Yes! You’re so smart,” Kulseth said.

“It’s called an otoscope. Can you say otoscope?” Kulseth asked the group.

“OTOSCOPE!” they chorused.

While Kulseth and colleagues from MUSC Children’s Health spoke to the group on the first floor of Charleston Center, the construction headquarters for the MUSC Shawn Jenkins Children’s Hospital, a construction team from Robins & Morton was upstairs talking to a second group. Almost 150 kindergartners from Midland Park Primary School in North Charleston were visiting Jan. 16. The medical and construction teams wanted to share with them how they do their jobs and what it takes to tackle a project like the new children’s hospital.

“For me, the most important thing is we all work together as a team,” said pediatric surgeon Robert Cina. He said doctors, nurses, respiratory therapists, the cleaning crew, counselors and child life specialists all have a role to play to help kids get better.

“It’s not just doctors and nurses,” he said. “It’s a huge team of people who work together.”

Kindergarten teacher Chelsea Golliday said her class prepared for the visit by studying what doctors, nurses and construction workers do. Visiting the hospital fits in with the state standards for learning about community helpers, and it also gets the kids thinking about what they might want to do when they grow up.

“We wanted to get them out into the community to start fueling that thinking and getting them ready to start thinking about their futures and the careers they want to have,” she said.

It’s also good for them to get a chance to talk to medical professionals outside of a doctor’s visit or emergency, she said.

And the kids were ready and excited to share their knowledge. Not only did they correctly identify a stethoscope and a bottle of medicine that Kulseth showed them, but they knew they shouldn’t drink any medicine unless it comes from a parent or doctor. They also knew not to stick small items up their noses or in their ears.

Radiology technologists Lakeisha Williams and Estella Smalls showed up with some X-rays of ribs, a broken arm, a broken leg and the same leg after it healed. Williams told them that if they ever needed an X-ray, all they would have to do is stay still and the technologist would quickly be done.

“It can be kind of scary, but you don’t have to be scared. It’s just a big camera,” she said.

She also relayed a fun fact they could share with their families: From head to toe, people have 206 bones in their bodies.

Jake Thompson, a field engineer, and Hunter Picklesimer, a project engineer, both with Robins & Morton, talked about the importance of protective gear like hard hats, safety vests, gloves, safety glasses and boots.

They also talked about how math plays a part in their jobs. The buildings they construct are all based on drawings, Picklesimer explained. To know what goes where, they have to add, subtract, multiply and divide numbers that are included on those drawings, he said.

Probably nothing about the visit topped seeing a forklift up close, though. But not just any forklift —

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Kindergartners from Midland Park Primary in North Charleston got to hear about the jobs of medical professionals and construction workers when they visited the site of the new MUSC Shawn Jenkins Children’s Hospital.

Photos by Sarah Pack

Radiology technologist Estella Smalls, left, holds up an X-ray while her co-worker Lakeisha Williams explains to the children what they're looking at.
Digital accessibility: What you need to know now

By Cindy Abole
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On Sept. 6, 2017, MUSC announced its new web accessibility policy to communicate the importance of ensuring accessibility for all the lives MUSC touches both internally and externally. The news was communicated in a letter emailed to employees by MUSC President David Cole, M.D., FACS.

Digital accessibility refers to providing anyone using or visiting MUSC’s web pages or utilizing our materials electronically with as similar an experience as possible, regardless of the person’s specific needs. This follows both state and national requirements for web accessibility, as described by the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG 2.1) of the World Wide Web Consortium, applying to all content developed and used on the web.

In this issue of The MUSC Catalyst News (pages 6–7), employees, faculty and students who create and manage content on MUSC’s webpages can learn about the institution’s commitment to digital accessibility and inclusion and discover valuable tools and resources to help them follow and maintain these standards.

MUSC is committed to serving people with disabilities and maintaining a diverse and engaged community. Lisa K. Saladin, Ph.D., PT, executive vice president for Academic Affairs and provost, joins Cole and the executive leadership team in supporting the institution’s commitment to accessibility in all enterprise-wide communications. “MUSC values diversity and strives to provide the same experiences to a person with a disability as to a person without a disability. Senior leaders at MUSC fully support all efforts to make our digital products and services accessible to all of our stakeholders,” said Saladin.

To ensure accountability throughout this process, MUSC established a campuswide accessibility task force to address priorities, discuss issues, explore best practices, create trainings and resources and provide recommendations to leadership to ensure all communications are consistent with the institution’s commitment to respect — one of the five core values of Imagine MUSC 2020, the institution’s strategic plan.

Willette Burnham-Williams, Ph.D., University chief diversity officer, Department of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, and Mary P. Mauldin, Ed.D., executive director, Office of Instructional Technology and Faculty Resources, are co-leaders on MUSC’s accessibility task force and are committed to MUSC’s focus on inclusion. “MUSC is creating an inclusive experience for the lives we touch,” said Burnham-Williams. “Demonstrating and affirming our commitment to our core values includes removing barriers to access for community members with disabilities. Every MUSC experience — including the digital experience — must provide individuals with the opportunity to easily navigate in the digital world and experience all that we offer, while at the same time, bringing their full selves to experience it effortlessly.”

MUSC’s dedication to ensuring our digital assets are available for everyone is the perfect example of the intertwining of our values and goals of Imagine MUSC 2020. “I am so proud to work where everyone is truly walking the walk and not just talking the talk, said Mauldin.

It is the responsibility of South Carolina state government agencies, including their web designers and developers, to be familiar with these accessibility guidelines and apply these principles in designing and creating content on state websites. That includes online training, electronic communications, social media, videos and printed materials created for MUSC.

Melissa Hortman, Ed.D., assistant professor and director of Instructional Technology and an accessibility task force member, believes that MUSC, as an institution, must be prepared to create content that can serve multiple audiences and needs.

“As technology and people evolve, so must we in making our digital content accessible to all,” she said.

In an effort to be compliant with the web accessibility policy, MUSC has been actively revising web pages to meet the WCAG 2.1 guidelines.

The Digital Strategy and Web Resources team is responsible for making MUSC website templates accessible.
MUSC is committed to providing information that is accessible to everyone:

- To offer equal access to information.
- To make opportunities available to people with disabilities.
- To ensure compliance with federal standards.

According to the World Health Organization, 1 billion people, or 15 percent of the world’s population, experience some form of disability. The World Wide Web Consortium’s international standards are a simple starting point to more meaningful change to documents and websites.

- Digital accessibility is a journey, not a destination.
- Set aside time each day to make small improvements.
- Partner with others on campus to solve issues you uncover.
- Make new content accessible before posting.
- Invite users to give you feedback for improvements.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

- Tips and training are available in the Digital Accessibility catalog in MyQuest.
- More tips and tricks on the Horseshoe accessibility intranet site: horseshoe.musc.edu/everyone/web-accessibility.
- Contact diversity@musc.edu for questions or concerns.

START WITH SMART DESIGN

- Use good color contrasts and a readable, consistent font.
- Use more than color, bold or italics alone to convey meaning.
- Reading order should follow a linear, logical layout.
- Use formatting like heading styles, sub-headings and bullets to break up information.
- Write descriptive and meaningful headings and hyperlinks.
- Add alternative (alt) text to all images, tables and graphs to explain what they are and why they are there.
- Provide closed-captioning for videos.
- Post on multiple social media channels since assistive technology works better on some than others.
- Use limited acronyms, hashtags and abbreviations.
- Write in plain language and design for varying levels of background knowledge so the reader can quickly identify, understand and use the message.
- Not all Library content is digitally accessible so contact the Library for more information.

Screen reading devices can easily speak the content of any page, but care must be taken to ensure page content is spoken in the proper sequence.

Properly formatted and tagged content helps viewers using screen reading devices to easily skip to areas of interest within a page.

Adding alt text to page elements ensures viewers with low visibility are able to access descriptions of images on their screen reading devices.

Providing closed-captioning is essential for those with hearing difficulty to access video content.

Target your messaging to be easily accessible to a wide range of viewers, accounting for differing levels of knowledge or education.

White lettering on some background colors can be difficult to read on monitor screens. Accessibility requirements call for certain sizing of fonts when using certain colors.

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This team reviews color templates using brand-appropriate colors, font sizes and tabbing order of pages and forms. Team members also serve as resources for others to use the recommended tools and resources to maintain files, PDF documents, videos, social media posts, podcasts and other links in their departments or college websites and pages.

Christine Gainer is also a member of the accessibility task force. Gainer is a web content quality and training expert in Information Solutions. “While we can put a rough dollar value on having accessible websites, as evidenced by the many multi-million dollar lawsuits that are going through the courts, that’s not the reason to ensure our sites are available to everyone,” said Gainer. “Our purpose is to serve the public by providing innovation, education and health care services, and one of our strengths at MUSC is inclusion. Given that our websites are viewed by approximately 27,000 visitors per day, how many hundreds or thousands of them should we be willing to exclude from receiving our content? I believe the answer is none.”

For information about MUSC’s commitment to digital accessibility, visit the MUSC intranet site at horseshoe.musc.edu/everyone/web-accessibility or contact the MUSC Office for Diversity and Inclusion at diversity@musc.edu.

there he was by himself, crouched down on the sidewalk, about to bring a baby into this world. It was quite a scene, he said. Very special.

The mom gave one push, and seconds later, on the chilly MUSC sidewalk, he was holding a healthy baby boy. Quickly, medical assistance arrived, and they whisked the woman away in a wheelchair while she hugged her newborn.

MacConnell took a deep breath and continued his walk to his office, as if it were any other day.

While the entire experience lasted less than seven minutes, it’s not something he will soon forget. MacConnell has lasting impressions, not the least of which was the responsibility that comes with working on such a large medical campus, where anything can happen at any time. This gave him a new perspective on what it means to work at MUSC.

“You have to be ready,” he said, “because on a campus this big, where the patient population is so diverse, at any time you could encounter someone who is in need of something. And even if you are not the one to be able to help them, you do have to be ready to point them in the right direction to get the help.”

Many hailed MacConnell as a hero for singlehandedly saving the day. He acknowledges his lack of experience, but others saw nothing but commitment. “My background is clinical – I’m a therapist by training – but certainly no obstetrician,” he laughed. “As an employee at MUSC, I believe it is my responsibility to help those in need and hope my co–workers and I will be ready to do so in the future.”
MUSC offers free virtual health care visits to furloughed federal workers

Free online medical visits for S.C. federal employees

Staff Report

As the federal government shutdown continues past the 30-day mark, health care providers at MUSC are offering online medical visits at no charge to all South Carolina-based federal government employees through the duration of the shutdown. The MUSC Virtual Care program can address approximately 80 health issues.

Employees affected by the federal government shutdown who need care are encouraged to use the promo code MUSCCARES4WORKERS to access virtual care services at http://www.muschealth.org/virtual-care.

No matter how old the patient is, MUSC Health Virtual Care is for non-emergency, non-life threatening conditions only, when the illness, injury or issue does not require an in-person visit.

To use MUSC Health Virtual Care:
Go online, register and get an email confirming the registration. You’ll see a list of categories. If you don’t have a serious problem such as chest pain or excessive bleeding. If you do, you will get a message saying Virtual Care is not right for you, and a doctor needs to see you in person. If you don’t have a serious problem, you will then see a list of categories.

Choosing from the list of categories, you will decide if you want to do an online interview, which involves answering basic questions about your symptoms and uploading photos if needed, or a video visit that lets you see the doctor on your computer screen for a live consultation. Either way, at the end, if you need a prescription, you’ll get one.

MUSC Health Emergency Department doctors, nurse practitioners and physician assistants handle all virtual care visits. The service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Virtual Care Categories

- Respiratory infections and allergies
- Eye, ear and mouth problems
- Skin and nail problems
- Insect issues such as lice and tick bites
- Medication to help you stop using tobacco
- Stomach problems
- Injuries and pain such as sunburn and lower back pain
- Medication refills
- Sexually transmitted diseases

Service of Remembrance Event planned Jan. 27, St. Luke’s Chapel

An interfaith Service of Remembrance to honor patients who died at MUSC between April 1 and Oct. 31, 2018 will be held at 3 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 27 at St. Luke’s Chapel. All are welcome.

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HCC rolls out new mind-body class to help cancer patients

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This month the MUSC Hollings Cancer Center will be rolling out a new mind-body class customized for cancer patients and cancer survivors to enhance their health and wellness.

The first class will be held Monday, Jan. 28 at 4 p.m., and then they will be held the third Monday of the month at Hollings Cancer Center on 86 Jonathan Lucas Street.

Gail Corvette says she was thrilled when she was asked if she would teach the class. A yoga instructor at the MUSC Wellness Center, Corvette already offers mind-body classes for the Survivors' Fit Club, a wellness program for breast cancer survivors that Hollings Cancer Center offers in partnership with the Wellness Center.

Corvette says the feedback she gets from participants is gratifying. Understandably, cancer can generate fear and anxiety for many people. This one-hour class focuses on easy movement patterns and meditative practices to help participants become centered and feel a sense of calm, she says.

“We teach them how to breathe consciously, observe their thoughts and calm their minds. I think mind-body classes can really help in their healing journey. It’s one great tool in their tool kit that we can use to heal this disease. It can help them feel more at ease and be better able to accept what is happening. It can help them cultivate hope.”

Spearheading this pilot class is Tara Lock, administrator for the Oncology Integrated Center of Clinical Excellence at Hollings Cancer Center, which is one of 70 NCI-designated cancer centers in the nation. The class is the latest addition to other support services already being offered, including pet and art therapy, psychological consults and financial counseling.

Lock says, “It’s about quieting the mind cancer diagnosis. We want to bring more and helping patients and survivors lose some of the fear that can surround a cancer diagnosis. We want to bring more...”

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Photo by Emma Vought

Gail Corvette, a yoga instructor at MUSC Wellness Center, will be leading a new mind-body class at Hollings Cancer Center.

Lock says, “It’s about quieting the mind and helping patients and survivors lose some of the fear that can surround a cancer diagnosis. We want to bring more...”
of a mind–body element to a patient’s treatment.”

Corvette says her hope is that participants will take what they learn in class and practice the skills at home at least once a week to reduce the stress they may be feeling. “What we’re doing is giving them a taste and giving them the tools. We’re also building community, allowing people to meet others going through the same thing. There’s a different energy when you’re in a group doing this mindfulness practice.”

Part of teaching a mindfulness practice is creating space for participants to more easily tap into what’s going on in their bodies. “It’s important to keep moving in whatever way you can. Motion is lotion as they say in the arthritis field. I will really tailor the class for whomever shows up,” said Corvette.

There’s a growing body of research that shows that this type of practice can help. Corvette refers to a study on prostate cancer and lifestyle changes by researcher Dean Ornish, known for similar work on reversing heart disease, that found intensive lifestyle changes may affect the progression of early low–grade prostate cancer.

The American Society of Clinical Oncology, a professional organization of cancer doctors, endorsed guidelines last year supporting certain integrative therapies like meditation and yoga as evidence–based ways to manage symptoms and side effects of conventional breast cancer treatment.

Laura Beck, who was diagnosed with breast cancer last spring, is glad to see Hollings Cancer Center offer a mind–body class. She took one of Corvette’s mind–body classes as part of Survivors’ Fit Club. “The program was great because it surrounded me with like–minded survivors who became friends and because it got me moving again,” Beck says.

“Gail’s class was positive and uplifting. She understood that we might have individual limitations and helped make sure we were comfortable with the yoga positions. It wasn’t too strenuous, so we could all participate. She talked about mindfulness and helped lead us to better understand what that means. She could relate to what we had all been through with the range of emotions that accompanies this kind of illness.”

Though she really enjoyed the stretching, Beck says one of her favorite parts was learning the tools to cope with the anxiety. It’s hard not to dwell on the what–ifs and the whys with a diagnosis like cancer, she says.

“Being able to learn to live life despite the diagnosis can be a challenge. Not letting it consume you, especially early on, is hard. Learning to relax, to breathe, to control your thoughts, to focus on the now, to move your body healthily is tough under any circumstances. I think being surrounded by other cancer patients and survivors in a class such as Gail’s is a great thing because you know everyone there is dealing with something, and no one is judging you.”

For more information, email corvette@musc.edu. To register, visit: hollingscancercenter.org/patient-care/patient-resources/mind-body.
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Jan 28 — Segment #1
Topic: Parkinson’s Disease & Exercise
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Neurologist Dr. Marian Dale talks about specific exercise routines to help patients with Parkinson’s disease. Dale is an assistant professor of neurology and is a practitioner in MUSC’s Movement Disorders Program.

Jan. 28 — Segment #2
Topic: Addressing Mental Health Care Needs of Children Following a Pediatric Traumatic Injury
Guest: Dr. Leigh Ridings
Clinical psychologist and postdoctoral fellow Dr. Leigh Ridings addresses mental health care needs of children (and their caregivers) following a pediatric traumatic injury and hospitalization.

Feb. 4 — Segment #1
Topic: Research Related to Epigenetics and Substance Use Disorder
Guest: Dr. Christopher Cowan
Neuroscientist Dr. Christopher Cowan will discuss research that he’s doing to understand the role of epigenetics in substance use disorder and relapse. Cowan is the William E. Murray SmartState Endowed Chair in Neuroscience.

Feb. 4 — Segment #2
Topic: Immunizations for Older Adults
Guest: Dr. Elisha Brownfield
Division of Internal Medicine associate professor Dr. Elisha Brownfield will talk about the importance of specific vaccinations that are recommended to prevent infectious diseases and complications in older adults.

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