

# Interaction

## Research News

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### Special Interest



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With more and more restaurants required to post nutrition data on their menus, are consumers choosing differently on what they put in their mouth? Dr. Pooja Tandon, fellow in the Center for Child Health, Behavior and Development, studies how menu labeling affects behavior, specifically calorie consumption in children.



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Seattle Children's Research Institute is heading West, to 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 50,000 square feet of new space that we will occupy in 2011. Through a series of design workshops, a team of faculty and staff are participating in the design process to create an environment that reflects the function, form and economy of our research culture.



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In just over four months, more than 50 individuals and organizations have become Research Champions, joining one of the newest philanthropic programs at Seattle Children's. With their support, these members are helping to advance our mission and showing their belief in the promise of pediatric research.



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#### **Did You Know?**

...that Research Information Technology (RIT) now has a [departmental page on CHILD](#).

View the Web page to find out more about RIT. The Web page also houses a Frequently Asked Questions section for faculty and staff.

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## SPECIAL INTEREST - PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR FOCUS

### Would You Like Fries With That?

We've all been there. We have all waited in line at a fast food restaurant, staring blankly at the menu board, trying to decide how best to satiate our hunger. If the calorie content for the countless options of burgers (one, two or three patties?), nuggets and shakes were right there in the open, would we order differently? Would we order differently for our kids? A recent study by Dr. **Pooja Tandon**, addressed those questions.

Dr. Tandon's study is the first to suggest that labeled menus could lead to better food choices with significantly lower calorie counts. A fellow in the Center for Child Health, Behavior and Development, Dr. Tandon began her undergraduate career at Brown University in Rhode Island where she also completed medical school. Following a pediatric residency in Boston, she continued her trek westward through Chicago before landing in Seattle in 2008, and beginning a primary care research fellowship at the University of Washington.

Dr. Tandon has always had an interest in food and nutrition, especially from a pediatric standpoint. She is now putting that interest to use by examining how menu labeling affects the nutritional choices parents make for their children. With such alarmingly high rates of childhood obesity, Dr. Tandon's research investigates how social and environmental factors impact the way children gain weight. "We wanted to see whether program and policy changes can make healthy choices, the easier choice."

Dr. Tandon's study worked with parents of children between the ages of three to six and used a McDonalds' menu to offer food choices typical of many fast food chains. Two groups of parents were asked to choose a meal for themselves as well as their child, with one group having the nutrition information published on the menu. The study revealed that parents in the intervention arm ordered an average of 100 calories less for their children than those without the nutrition data. Dr. Tandon asserts that even a modest change such as this (100 calories less consumed or 100 calories more burned in a day), is enough to avert weight gain in children. In adults, a 100 calorie difference per day could represent a loss, or gain, of a pound per month.

In the U.S., where more than half of the population eats out at least once a week and one in four eat out every day, it is easy to see why obesity plagues the nation. "Parents are aware of the childhood obesity problem, but fast food consumption rates are still very high. Fast food is convenient and cheaper than healthier alternatives," states Dr. Tandon. While it is next to impossible to eliminate fast food consumption altogether, publishing nutrition data at the point where a meal decision is made could not only impact what consumers chose to eat, but also how restaurants chose to make food. A recent news release from the Healthy Weight Commitment Foundation, a coalition of retailers, food and beverage manufacturers, and industry trade associations, states that the nation's largest food companies will take 1.5



**Dr. Pooja Tandon, fellow in the Center for Child Health, Behavior and Development**

trillion calories out of their products by 2015 in an effort to reduce childhood obesity.

So what is next for Dr. Tandon? After collecting data in restaurants before and after the requirement to post calorie counts on menus went into effect in King County, Dr. Tandon is compiling data to determine how calorie consumption has been affected. With a new awareness in King County, menu labeling is ready for a larger audience. Menu labeling in chain restaurants will be going national with the recently passed healthcare reform legislation.

Our lifestyles may not change any time soon. We will still eat out and occasionally breakdown and go for the Big Mac. With the efforts of Dr. Tandon however, we will at least be better educated and better equipped to answer that calorie-loaded question: "Do you want fries with that?" **Irn**

## RESEARCH BITS

### Research Institute Heads West, to 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue

In April, Seattle Children's Research Institute announced the lease of two-and-a-half floors (50,000 square feet) in West 8<sup>th</sup>, a newly constructed building at 2001 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, two blocks from Building 1. Research faculty and staff currently in the Centers for Clinical and Translational Research (CCTR) and Child Health, Behavior and Development (CCHBD), as well as Research Institute Administration (RIA) and Research Support Services (RSS) staff, will move into West 8<sup>th</sup> in early 2011.

The new building offers a host of amenities – an outdoor patio, an onsite fitness center, onsite daycare at Bright Horizons Childcare and Early Education, and several restaurants nearby – as well as unconstructed office space that is ready for customization to fit our needs.



Shell space at West 8<sup>th</sup> that is currently under design by the architects with participation from research faculty and staff.

To design the West 8<sup>th</sup> space, Research Facilities is working with architects at David Brody Bond Aedas and SkB Architects to lead a series of design workshops with faculty and staff from across the institute ([see sidebar on West 8<sup>th</sup> Project and Workshop teams](#)). The first step in the design process is to identify goals and common themes. The goals span function, form and economy, and include for example: bringing centers together and allowing for flexibility in programs, providing a high degree of transparency and connectedness, and reflecting responsible stewardship of institute resources ([see sidebar on project goals](#)).

To identify themes, the design team completed a survey ranking 12 qualities of a top research space. The attributes rated highest included: daylight, audible privacy, view to the outside and visual privacy. "Environment drives behavior and we want to create every opportunity for success," said **Vickie Cleator**, director of Research Facilities.

The design team also identified our existing culture as a "fast-paced, energetic, on-the-go culture that is somewhat collaborative and evolving as a business," but with a desired future state of "more collaboration and a better sense of community" in a "dynamic, cutting-edge, at-the-forefront institute."

By identifying top attributes and our desired culture, along with impressions from benchmarking tours of state-of-the-art facilities, the workshop participants have a framework for making decisions on the design of the individual workstations and the overall workspace. The new space will move research centers that have spanned floors into adjacent space, create separate and clear access to a clinic for patients and families, and allow RSS staff to move to an "open workstation" model that has become the best practice for collaboration, standardizing work areas, and fostering more efficient use of space. The workshop team will also be applying our Continuous Performance Improvement (CPI) principles to create a visual control

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### Did You Know?

Research Institute Administration (RIA) and Research Support Services (RSS) will be moving into an open office environment with the relocation to West 8<sup>th</sup>. Tune in to the Research Report article in InHouse at the end of June as Research Institute President James Hendricks, PhD provides further details on the move, specifically discussing the rationale behind moving RIA and RSS into an "open workstation" model.

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system for the workspaces. "5S" projects are planned before and after the move to engage staff in creating and maintaining our newest research building.

For more information, check out the [Research Facilities Web page](#) for milestone reports and meeting notes, or talk to a West 8<sup>th</sup> Workshop representative in your area.

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### West 8<sup>th</sup> Project Goals

#### Function

- Bring the centers together in a contiguous and collaborative work environment
- Emphasize efficiency and capacity
- Enable group work
- Plan for easy growth and contraction of program
- Establish an internal connection between the centers
- Provide separate and clear access to the clinic
- Provide for secure and appropriate file storage
- Enable a seamless transition of information technology and data infrastructure

#### Form

- Communicate identity of the individual centers and research institute administration
- Provide a high degree of transparency and connectedness, but enable privacy when required
- Provide for abundant natural light
- Establish a high consciousness of energy, efficiency and sustainability

#### Economy

- Meet the established budget for tenant improvements
- Reflect responsible stewardship of institute resources
- Sustainable plan for growth

### West 8<sup>th</sup> Project Team

#### Executive Leadership:

**Jim Hendricks**, PhD, President  
**Erik Lausund**, Vice President, Research Operations and Logistics  
**Vickie Cleator**, Senior Director, Research Facilities

#### Program Advisory Committee:

**Bonnie Ramsey**, MD, Director, CCTR  
**Dimitri Christakis**, MD, MPH, Director, CCHBD  
**John Streck**, Chief, Research Operations  
**Drew House**, Director, TDN Administration/Finance  
**Jena Lagasse**, Operations Manager  
**Dedra Schendzielos**, Center Business Manager, CCTR  
**Mary Ann Sharma**, Center Business Manager, CCHBD

#### West 8<sup>th</sup> Workshop Staff Representatives:

Center for Child Health, Behavior & Development

**Jenn Chun**

**Jane Yoon**

**Alta Bassett**

**Alison Long**

**Leslie Pierson**

**Brian Saelens**

Center for Clinical and Translational Research

**Ben Wilfond**

**Joyce Yi-Frazier**

**Sherryl Singleton**

**Danielle Elias**

**Jennifer Harry**

**Ken West**

Research Support Services

**Jena Lagasse**

**Dave O'Brien**

**Suzanne Roman**

**Sandy Johnson**

**Dominic Chiarelli**

**Stephanie Axelrod**

**Kori Flajole**

**Erik Lausund**

**Vickie Cleator**

**Stefanie Morris**

**John Streck**

## FOUNDATION BITS

### The Promise of Research Inspires New Supporters

Here is proof that a place, its people and its mission can inspire champions. Since its inception in January, more than 50 individuals and organizations have become Research Champions as part of the Seattle Children's Hospital Foundation's newest philanthropic program. This includes five special interest guilds dedicated to supporting research in areas such as mitochondrial disease and hydrocephalus. Plus, in addition to our Lead Program Sponsor, BN Builders, two more major corporate sponsors have offered their support: Touchstone Corporation and VECA Electric Company, Inc. They have recently been named Founding Sponsors of the Research Champions program in recognition of their generous commitment to research at Children's. Community support like this will play a key role in our continued growth and success.

#### Why support research?

Research Champions are inspired to join for many reasons. **Linda Mattox**, for example, believes that research is the "foundation of all we aspire to at Children's." Linda became one of the first Research Champions this year, adding to her titles of Research Advisory Board member, Honorary Trustee, Life Member of the Guild Association, and guild member.

Linda has seen, firsthand, the promise of turning research into future cures. Looking back to her childhood in the '40s and '50s, she notes, "I see what medical research has accomplished. I have confidence that, thanks to research, my children will look back with the same wonder and appreciation." Linda's confidence that we can turn research into cures comes from what sets the research institute apart from its peers. "Seattle Children's Research Institute has the feistiness, vision, energy and enthusiasm to fulfill a critical part of our mission," she says. "That's why I'm proud to be a Research Champion."

#### A shared sense of purpose

All individuals, including employees, who contribute a minimum \$1,000 within the calendar year toward research at Children's are invited to join the Research Champions program and further support the research institute's mission to fight some of childhood's most devastating diseases. Children's employees have several ways to fulfill the membership pledge of \$1,000:

- **Payroll Deduction:** From your Children's e-mail account (not your personal account), e-mail [payroll@seattlechildrens.org](mailto:payroll@seattlechildrens.org) and cc: [shelley.shartner@seattlechildrens.org](mailto:shelley.shartner@seattlechildrens.org) with your completed version of this message:
  - » Dear Payroll, I would like to make a payroll deduction of \$ (add amount) per pay check for (add starting/ ending dates). This gift should be directed toward (add research area of interest, or the general Research Discovery Fund).\*
- **Credit Card:** Another option is to charge a set amount per month to your credit card. Please call Shelley Shartner at (206) 987-6836 to set this up.
- **Paid Time Off (PTO) Donation:** Employees can donate PTO each January to become a Research Champion in that year. E-mail [Pay Roll](#) and [Shelley Shartner](#) to learn more.

Research Champions events include "Research Roundtables" that feature conversations with Children's scientists about their innovative research. A larger event this fall will highlight how the bench-to-bedside approach results in better medical care and new possibilities for curing pediatric diseases.

Employees or others interested in attending these events or learning more about the Research Champions program are encouraged to contact [Brenda Majercin](#), senior director of development, at (206) 987-4979. [Irn](#)

## RESEARCH BITS

### CORES – Cores Ordering & Reporting Enterprise System – Comes to the Research Institute

This month, Seattle Children's Research Institute will implement a new core facilities billing system named CORES (Core Ordering & Reporting Enterprise System), developed by Vanderbilt Medical Center. This system allows for more efficient business operations and savings on time and effort involved in billing, reporting and tracking expenses. Core managers will have the ability to enter service-related orders then generate monthly electronic invoices as well as an electronic debit/credit file for the Office of Research Finance (ORF).

A "Core" (or "Cost Center" or "Recharge Center") is a method by which the research institute

can provide research and support services to investigators at Children's and external customers on a fee-for-service basis. Examples of cores currently in operation at the research institute include the Office of Animal Care (OAC), the Office of Biostatistical Services (OBS), Flow Cytometry and the Research Specimen Processing Laboratory, among others. For more background on Cores and how they operate, see [Research Institute Administration policies RIA-901, 902 and 903](#).

Currently, the practice of research institute cores is to use individual and manual processes to track

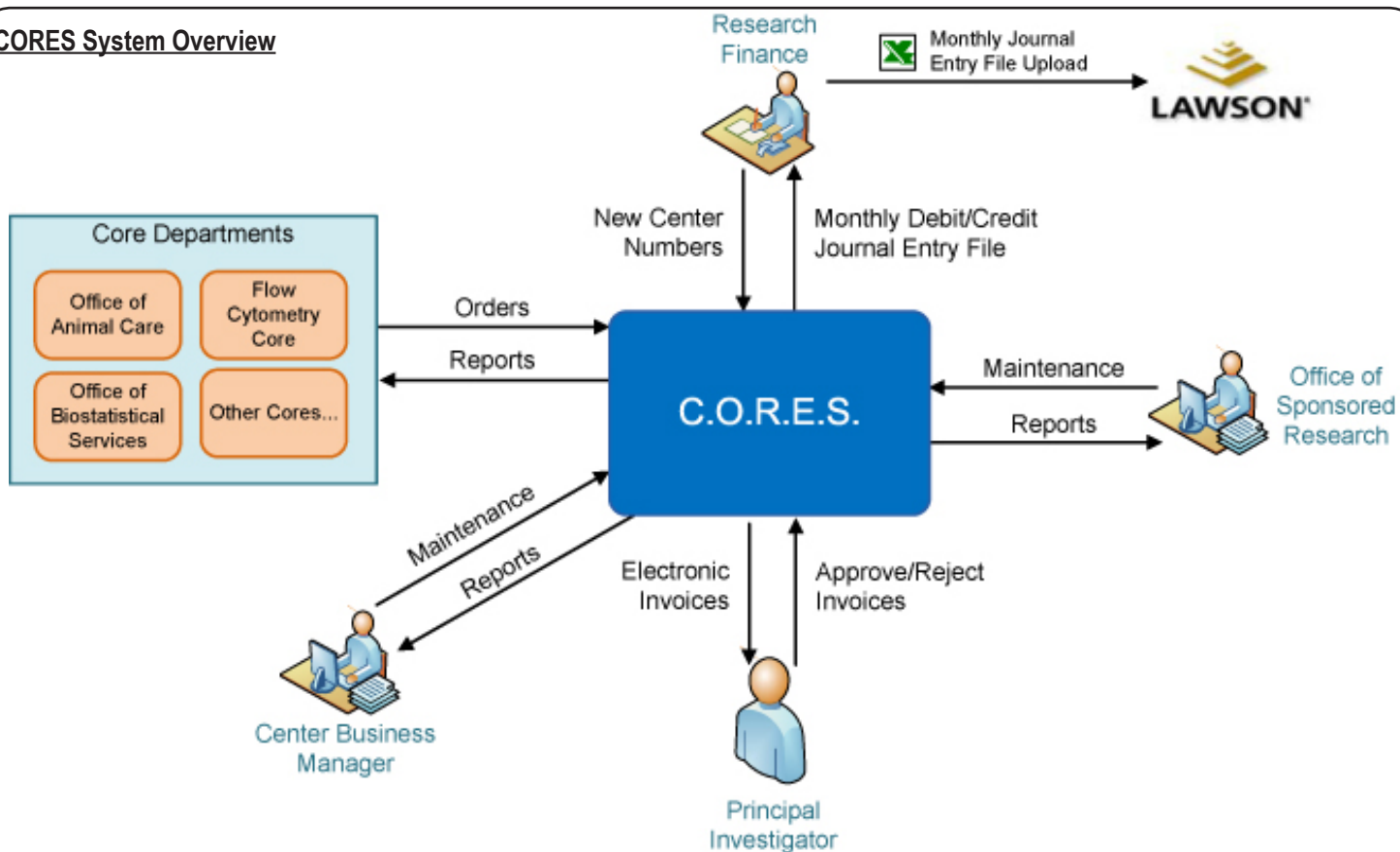
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### Save the Date: Sixth Annual Treuman Katz Center for Pediatric Bioethics Conference

**Conference Title:** Tiny Babies, Large Questions: Ethical Issues in Prenatal and Neonatal Care  
**Date:** Friday and Saturday, July 23 and 24, 2010  
**Location:** Bell Harbor International Conference Center, Seattle, Washington

For more information, please visit the [bioethics Web page](#).

### CORES System Overview



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expenses, usage and revenue received. CORES allows an opportunity to create a more integrated, standardized and efficient workflow between core facilities, investigators and their staff, and finance. Depending on how the core functions, CORES will also facilitate the scheduling of certain core resources.

Other key features include the ability to:

- Extract a list of all the available activities from Lawson that could be used to pay for a core's product or services.
- Record products and services provided, including pricing for those items.
- Track utilization of a core's products and services by various projects.
- Produce timely reports of usage of products and services.
- Provide reporting methods and metrics to facilitate the management of our various cores.

The June implementation of CORES at the research institute will initially include three pilot cores – the Flow Cytometry Core, the OAC and the OBS, with training focused for core managers, followed by faculty and faculty-support staff. The second phase will include Clinical Research Staff Support Core and the High Throughput Data Analysis, with the goal to rollout to the remaining applicable cores in one year. Other groups not defined as cores could potentially manage their business through this system as well (Conference Room Scheduling/Charging System, Institutional Review Board Fee Management, etc.).

This system has proven successful at Vanderbilt who has over 80 cores generating more than 1400 electronic invoices totaling over \$30 million annual in sales/recharge transactions. CORES has been implemented at other organizations, including the University of Virginia, Meharry Medical College and Virginia Commonwealth University. Stay tuned as we implement this system at Seattle Children's Research Institute. [Irrn](#)

### Monthly Green Tip\*: Refuse or At Least Reuse Plastic Utensils

How many times have you used plastic utensils at work or when you have take out food? How often does that plastic ware end up going into the garbage sometimes without even being used?

Each day thousands of tons of waste plastic floats down sewers and into rivers around the world. Most of that ends up in the oceans. In fact the Pacific Ocean has a vortex of circulating plastic that has been caught in a current called the North Pacific Gyre. The combination of plastic garbage and ocean currents have resulted in a literal carpet of garbage the size of Texas in the middle of the Pacific Ocean.

Most people in North America eat at least four meals outside their home each week. If you are like most of these people, you have many opportunities to refuse this plastic. A simple thing you can do is to keep one set of metal utensils at work. You can also keep a set of plastic utensils and re-use them. Plastic knives and forks can be cleaned just as easily as metal ones and will last nearly as long.

When someone gives you plastic that you don't need, think of the oceans.

\*Interaction has implemented a new feature - the Monthly Green Tip! If you have a "Green" tip to share with research faculty and staff, please send your idea to [Deana Rich](#) to be considered for inclusion in a future issue of Interaction.

## DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHT

### Audits, Invoicing and Budgeting: Updates from Research Finance

Let's face it, the Office of Research Finance (ORF) is not the first place most people would look to for groundbreaking news, but in an effort to be transparent to ORF users, there are a few key items ORF would like to report.

The National Association of Children's Hospitals and Related Institutions (NACHRI) Report of Fiscal Year (FY) 2009 National Institutes of Health (NIH) Awards to Children's Hospitals was released and Seattle Children's remains at #5. This ranking is based on dollar value of NIH awards but does not include awards funded by the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act. See [Table 1](#) for the Top 10 NIH-Awarded Hospitals for FY09.

**Table 1: Top 10 Total NIH Awards to Children's Hospitals**

2009 Rank	2008 Rank	Institution (& Location)	# of Total Awards in 2009	Dollar Value
1	1	Children's Hospital Boston (Boston)	257	\$96,381,705
2	2	Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center (Cincinnati)	234	\$80,352,186
3	3	The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (Philadelphia)	183	\$74,029,822
4	4	St. Jude Children's Research Hospital (Memphis)	100	\$55,560,134
5	5	Seattle Children's (Seattle)	66	\$23,600,104
6	7	Children's National Medical Center & Research Institute (Washington, DC)	48	\$19,762,624
7	9	Nationwide Children's Hospital and Research Institute (Columbus)	55	\$18,114,099
8	8	Children's Hospital Los Angeles (Los Angeles)	42	\$17,764,343
9	6	Children's Hospital & Research Center at Oakland (Oakland)	33	\$16,754,618
10	11	Kennedy Krieger Children's Hospital & Research Institute (Baltimore)	38	\$15,639,415

**JoAnn Staheli**, accounting supervisor in ORF, is the process owner of a Continuous Performance Improvement (CPI) workshop that will take place this summer. The workshop will focus on the milestone invoicing process. While the scope of the project is still being decided upon, the workshop will involve representatives from several center business offices, clinical research staff and ORF staff.

Milestone invoicing is common in drug studies and clinical contracts. As opposed to cost-reimbursement invoicing, where the sponsor is invoiced the actual amount of expenses charged to an activity within a given billing period, say monthly or quarterly, milestone invoices are sent as agreed upon milestones are reached, say number of patients seen, number of visits per patient, or specific documentation being received by the sponsor. For milestone invoicing to run smoothly, it requires a lot of interaction between the principal investigator, the staff performing the work, the corresponding center business office and ORF. Look for the CPI report out later in the fall.

With FY10 half complete, it is time to start the budgeting process for FY11. **Megan Dalsaso**, senior operations accountant, in collaboration with hospital Finance and at the direction of Research Administration, will spend the upcoming summer months working with research centers and research support services to prepare budgets for the new fiscal year.

FY09's Office of Management and Budget (OMB) A-133 audit is complete, approved and published. The OMB A-133 is made up of two parts: finance and compliance. The financial component examines Children's management of federal funds, e.g. federal grants (prime and sub-awards), including general operations

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## RESEARCH BITS

### IRB Improvements Under Way

Following on its Continuous Performance Improvement (CPI) workshop in March, Seattle Children's Institutional Review Board (IRB) is getting ready to initiate several improvements in the process for new, full-review IRB applications. These changes should streamline the process, making it more transparent and easier to navigate.

Part of the charge to the CPI workshop team was to design a system that would replace the pre-review portion of the process with a consultation service, a specific change recommended by the Special Committee on Research Operations. The workshop team determined that in addition to the consultation service, a revamping of the IRB application and the supporting tools and templates available on the IRB Web site was also needed. Based upon prior experience by the Human Subjects Protection Program staff, the consultation service - which will be

face-to-face or by telephone - is expected to be a more effective means of communication regarding studies prior to their submission. It is intended to increase collaboration and reduce the time and effort needed for the stages of the process that precede IRB review.

Since the time of the workshop, teams representing prime stakeholders in the IRB review process (including investigators, research staff, IRB members, HSPP staff, and Clinical Research Center staff) have been working hard to draft these documents, which have now been sent out for review and comment by over 50 stakeholders. The revised documents and process information will be published on July 1 and their use will be required upon the effective date, August 16, 2010.

Please watch for future communications in various forms (print media, meetings, etc.) that will address further specifics as implementation nears. [Irn](#)

### New Medical Director in PCRC



**Dr. Blythe Thomson**

The Institute of Translational Health Sciences (ITHS) and Seattle Children's Center for Clinical and Translational Research (CCTR) are pleased to announce that Dr. **Blythe Thomson** has accepted the position of Medical Director for the Pediatric Clinical Research Center (PCRC).

Blythe is a Clinical Associate Professor in the Division of Hematology/Oncology and the Clinical Director of Outpatient Oncology at Seattle Children's. She is an active user of the PCRC and a long-standing member of the Scientific Review Committee and Institutional Review Board. Prior to joining Seattle Children's, Blythe served as the Director of the Translational Research Clinical Trials Office at Cincinnati Children's Hospital.

Blythe brings many years of experience and knowledge to the PCRC and the team there looks forward to working with her. Read more about Blythe and her new role in the June issue of CCTR News. [Irn](#)

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management, internal controls, financial statements, financial records, and federal award transactions and expenditures. The compliance component covers Children's compliance with applicable federal and state laws and regulations as well as the terms and conditions of each federal award. ORF is pleased to report that, as in recent years, there were no findings on this year's audit.

Finally, in April, ORF said goodbye to **Patrick Bassett**. Patrick accepted a position as controller, Research and Special Funds in the Office of Research Finance at Children's Hospital Boston. In his two and a half years at Seattle Children's as Director of Research Finance, he had a huge impact on ORF. His former staff wishes him well in his new endeavor.

Stay tuned for future updates from the ORF. [Irn](#)

## RESEARCH BITS

### Continuous Performance Improvement at Work: Everyone, Every Day, Every Way

Continuous Performance Improvement (CPI) Week is June 7 - 11, 2010.

#### Calendar of Events at the Research Institute

Monday- Friday (any time during the week)

Event	Details
CPI Crossword Puzzle	This puzzle will be up all week. A prize will be given for the first correctly completed entry. Access from the <a href="#">Main CPI Department Web page on CHILDRN</a> .

Monday, June 7

Event	Details
CPI Week Treats & Event Calendar Handout	Research Institute, Building 1, Lobby and Met Park West floors 5 & 8 elevator lobbies, 8 to 9 a.m.
CPI at Work and A3 Poster Display	Research Institute, Building 1, Soundgarden Conference Room 9:30 to 1:30 p.m. (on-going at events in Soundgarden throughout the week) Prizes for best CPI at Work posters. Didn't enter a poster yet? Make one during this event.

Tuesday, June 8

Event	Details
"CPI at Research" Panel Discussion	<b>Panel: Bruder Stapleton, MD, Doug Diekema, MD, Jayme Ribaldo and Mary Ann Sharma.</b> Research Institute, Building 1, Soundgarden Conference Room with videoconference to Met Park West 589/591, 1 to 2 p.m. Refreshments at Building 1 location.

Wednesday, June 9

Event	Details
Lego Cars and Reliable Methods	Building 1, Soundgarden Conference Room, Noon to 1 p.m. Door Prize!

Thursday, June 10

Event	Details
CPI Jeopardy Tournament	Building 1, Soundgarden Conference Room 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Pre-event sign up required to play, audience welcome). Games start every hour on the half hour. Door Prizes!

Friday, June 11

Event	Details
Movie & Popcorn Social	Building 1, Soundgarden Conference Room, 3 to 4 p.m. Film: <i>If Airline Travel Were Like Healthcare</i> , followed by CPI Week wrap up, presentation of awards for best posters and final event Prize Drawing.

Final prize drawing from entry forms collected at research events all week. See the [CPI Department Page on CHILDRN](#) for more information and additional events held at other sites.

## CONFERENCES & TRAINING

### Training Program: Consent, Assent and Parental Permission (CAPP) Mentoring Program

**Summer Session starts  
Tuesday, June 15, 2010**

It's nearly time for the summer session of the Consent, Assent and Parental Permission Mentoring Program (CAPP). CAPP provides educational lecture/discussion sessions on topics such as ethics, research regulations, contextual issues of the consent conference and aspects specific to presenting study information to families with limited English proficiency. This is an opportunity for faculty and staff to increase their knowledge about the consent and assent processes, discuss consent process issues, enhance their presentation skills and become aware of resources to aid them in their work.

The CAPP Mentoring Program is led by Research and Family Liaison **Halle Showalter Salas**. **The program is available to all research faculty and staff.** Class size will be limited to 10 people. Participants must attend all sessions in order to complete the program. Participants in the program will receive a certificate of completion after fulfilling program requirements. Please contact [Halle](#) for further information.

#### 2010 CAPP Mentoring Program: Summer Schedule

##### Session I: Historical Background and Regulatory Overview

Tuesday, June 15, 2010  
8:30 to 11 a.m.  
Building 1, 1900 Ninth Ave.,  
Conference Room 939

##### Session II: Fieldwork June 15 to July 13, 2010

##### Session III: Observations and Practical Aspects

Tuesday, July 13, 2010  
8:30 to 11 a.m.  
Building 1, 1900 Ninth Ave.,  
Conference Room 939

##### Session IV: Policies and Practical Aspects for Families with Limited English Proficiency

Tuesday, July 20, 2010  
8:30 to 10:30 a.m.  
Building 1, 1900 Ninth Ave.,  
Conference Room 939

##### Session V: Mentoring July 20 to August 3, 2010

Session VI: Wrap-up  
Tuesday, August 3, 2010  
8:30 to 9:30 a.m.  
Building 1, 1900 Ninth Ave.,  
Conference Room 939

#### Building 1 Front Entry Screening Program Starts June 2

Seattle Children's Research Institute Security is launching a front entry screening program at Building 1. The screening will be similar to the process at the main campus.

Building 1 employees with facility access will need to scan their badge in the lobby when going through the turnstiles.

Employees without Building 1 access must check in at the front desk reception and wait for their host to escort them.

Guests must show a valid photo ID in order to be registered in the visitor management system.

Employees hosting guests and events will be able to pre-register their guests in order to speed up the check-in process.

Badges must be worn visibly at or above the waist.

You are invited to learn more at an upcoming informational session (and enjoy a free snack):

- Building 1, Soundgarden Conference Room 1112, June 11, 10 to 11 a.m.

For questions, contact [Tara Haugen](#) at (206) 884-7655 or [Jena Lagasse](#) at (206) 884-7811.

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual "Picnic" Potluck

The Research Staff Development Committee (RSDC) is pleased to present the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual "Picnic" Potluck. Bring your favorite dish, mingle with your coworkers and play a trivia game for a chance to win a prize.

**Who:** Research faculty and staff

**What:** "Picnic" Potluck

**Where:** Building 1, Soundgarden Conference Room 1112

**When:** Tuesday, June 16, 2010, Noon to 1 p.m.

No advance sign up is required. Please contact [Romeo Balagot](#) for any questions or for further details.

## MONTHLY FEATURES

### Policy Updates

Each month, Interaction keeps readers up to date on research policies that were posted to CHILD for peer review. There were no policies posted for peer review during the month of May. Please visit the [research policies Web page on CHILD](#) to view all past peer-reviewed policies, their accompanying responses and final versions.

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### Promotions

#### Center for Clinical and Translational Research

**Janna Stults**, promoted from Clinical Research Associate II to Clinical Research Associate III

#### The Project Management Office (PMO)

**Kori Flajole**, promoted from Project Associate to Project Manager

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### Welcome to Research at Seattle Children's

#### Center for Child Health, Behavior and Development

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