



Bach Fund Awards Help PPMC Doctors Go Above and Beyond in the Community



The Bach Fund Awards – which are generated from a trust created through the Estate of Jeannette Bach Tashjian and are allocated to worthwhile projects of Penn Presbyterian medical staff – have been making a big impact in our neighborhood. Peter Cronholm, MD, MSCE, assistant professor of Family Medicine and Community Health, received a Bach Fund Awards in 2007 and 2009 to support the work of training Family Medicine residents through community partnership development at West Philadelphia’s Drew Middle School and Carroll Park.

At the Charles R. Drew School, K-8 students are benefiting from the Drew Health Collaborative, where Family Medicine residents and faculty are developing and implementing health promotion curricula for Drew students, this year in partnership with the Freedom School after school program and the Netter Center for Community Partnerships. The curriculum touches upon several issues, such as body image awareness, nutrition and exercise, normal growth and development, tobacco, alcohol, and drugs, as well as other issues the children and teens confront.

In their ten year partnership with the Drew School, PPMC’s Department of Family Medicine and Community Health has also worked on programs like the Drew PREVENT program – an innovative school-based intervention addressing interpersonal and intimate young violence in West Philadelphia – as well as the Second Step Program, a national program that targets the issue of youth violence.

“We’ve designed these programs to help train primary care providers entrenched in the community – who advocate for and help community members to navigate the healthcare system – on ways to help patients in the inpatient and outpatient settings as well as promoting health outside the doctor’s office,” said Cronholm. “For all parties, the most valued product is the partnership itself which serves to strengthen the bonds of trust between our health system and the community it serves.”

In Carroll Park, the Bach Fund is supporting Family Medicine’s partnership with the Neighborhood Youth Achievement Program, a community-based organization that is working to improve childhood and adolescent health development through direct services and self-empowerment activities. This new program, which will be implemented during the 2009-2010 academic year, will utilize a health promotion curriculum to reduce obesity and sedentary lifestyles. Educational sessions, targeting nutrition and healthy behaviors and activities, will be implemented by University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine medical students and Family Medicine residents.

Through the generous support of the Bach Fund, dedicated individuals and departments like Dr. Cronholm and Family Medicine and Community Health are making an impact and benefiting our community.

SUMMARY ANNUAL REPORT

For Retirement Plan of the Hospital of the University Of Pennsylvania, Presbyterian Medical Center And The Pennsylvania Hospital

This is a summary of the annual report for the Retirement Plan of the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, Presbyterian Medical Center and the Pennsylvania Hospital, EIN 23-1352685, Plan No. 006, for the period July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008. The annual report has been filed with the Employee Benefits Security Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, as required under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

Basic Financial Statement

Benefits under the plan are provided through a trust fund. Plan expenses were \$20,430,544. These expenses included \$3,328,510 in administrative expenses and \$17,102,034 in benefits paid to participants and beneficiaries. A total of 19,386 persons were participants in or beneficiaries of the plan at the end of the plan year, although not all of these persons had yet earned the right to receive benefits.

The value of plan assets, after subtracting liabilities of the plan, was \$640,987,660 as of June 30, 2008, compared to \$684,094,761 as of July 1, 2007. During the plan year the plan experienced a decrease in its net assets of \$43,107,101. This decrease includes unrealized appreciation and depreciation in the value of plan assets; that is, the difference between the value of the plan's assets at the end of the year and the value of the assets at the beginning of the year or the cost of assets acquired during the year. The plan had total income of \$(22,676,557) including employer contributions of \$16,588,000 and earnings from investments of \$(39,518,815).

Minimum Funding Standards

An actuary's statement shows that enough money was contributed to the plan to keep it funded in accordance with the minimum funding standards of ERISA.

Your Rights To Additional Information

You have the right to receive a copy of the full annual report, or any part thereof, on request. The items listed below are included in that report:

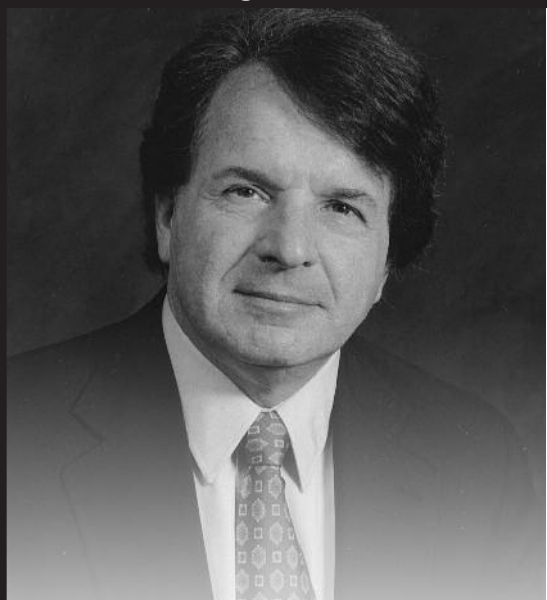
1. an accountant's report;
2. financial information and information on payments to service providers;
3. information regarding any common or collective trusts, pooled separate accounts, master trusts or 103-12 investment entities in which the plan participates; and
4. actuarial information regarding the funding of the plan.

To obtain a copy of the full annual report, or any part thereof, write or call Trustees of the University of Pennsylvania, 3930 Chestnut Street, 1st Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19104, (215) 615-2623.

You also have the right to receive from the plan administrator, on request and at no charge, a statement of the assets and liabilities of the plan and accompanying notes, or a statement of income and expenses of the plan and accompanying notes, or both. If you request a copy of the full annual report from the plan administrator, these two statements and accompanying notes will be included as part of that report.

You also have the legally protected right to examine the annual report at the main office of the plan (Trustees of the University of Pennsylvania, 3930 Chestnut Street, 1st Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19104) and at the U.S. Department of Labor in Washington, D.C., or to obtain a copy from the U.S. Department of Labor upon payment of copying costs. Requests to the Department should be addressed to: Public Disclosure Room, Room N1513, Employee Benefits Security Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210.

Nisenbaum Named President of Ultrasound Organization



Harvey L. Nisenbaum, MD, associate professor of radiology at the School of Medicine and chair of the Department of Medical Imaging at Penn Presbyterian Medical Center, became the 28th President of the American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine at its annual meeting in New York City, in April. The multidisciplinary association consists of about 8,000 members, including physicians, sonographers, scientists, engineers, other health-care providers, and manufacturers of ultrasound equipment. It is dedicated to advancing the safe and effective use of ultrasound in medicine through professional and public education, research, development of guidelines, and accreditation.