



CONFERENCES & MEETINGS

Grand Rounds
Thursday, October 18, 2006, 12:00 Noon
Clinic Auditorium

James Donohue, MD
Professor and Chief
Division of Pulmonary & Critical Care Medicine

Long-Acting Beta Agonists: Are They Safe?

FROM DIVISIONS

- Nominations are due Friday, Oct. 20 for the [Nursing Recognition Awards](#). The awards recognize members of the nursing staff who demonstrate excellence in nursing practice, show evidence of caring and compassion, and express a commitment to teaching future health care professionals. Clinical faculty members or housestaff may submit nominations. Medical center employees may write support letters.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Norma Berryhill Distinguished Lecture will be held Tuesday, Oct. 24 at 5:30 p.m. at the Carolina Club. Robert Cefalo, MD, PhD, will give the lecture titled "GREAT EXPECTATIONS: The ART of Graduate Medical Education." New faculty members will also be recognized.

FROM THE CHAIR'S OFFICE

This week I asked Bruce Wicks to fill us in on the annual State Employees Combined Campaign (SECC). For those of you who have been here for many years, you are familiar with the campaign and how it works, but I thought for those you aren't it would be useful to talk about it and provide you with some links for the campaign. Bruce is our department captain and together we encourage you to contribute to the SECC.

The SECC has been operating since 1984 and, as the name suggests, serves as a consolidated forum for charities to ask for donations from state employees. Last year, UNC-CH and UNC Health Care raised over a million dollars for the SECC - UNC-CH raised \$811,837 and UNC Health Care raised \$283,064. This tremendous amount testifies to the generosity of the UNC family. UNC Health Care is already halfway to meeting last year's total and, hopefully, reaching their 2006 goal of \$295,000. To date UNC-CH has only raised \$4,500.

This week each division administrator will obtain a packet of SECC forms and Resource Guides which contain information on over 800 charities. Both are available online. The form can be filled out in Word and submitted to Bruce Wicks at CB 7005 or in 3033 Old Clinic Building. All donations are tax-deductible. You can make a one-time payment with a check, cash, or credit

card or set it up as a recurring payroll deduction. The payroll deduction begins in January 2007 and will continue throughout the year. As an incentive, the SECC and Student Stores have provided prizes which we will be giving away each week on Friday to a randomly selected faculty or staff member who has submitted their form by the Thursday before. We'll begin next Friday, Oct. 27, with the drawings.

Please don't hesitate to contact Bruce if you have any questions about the campaign. Thanks in advance for your efforts.

Questions or submissions, contact katie_obrien@med.unc.edu.