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New Managers at Froedtert

In the next few issues we will be introducing new managers at Froedtert in order of their hire date. When you see them, say hello!

Sue Derus is the administrative director of Radiation Oncology services at Froedtert. She is responsible for daily operations of the department, quality of patient care, staffing issues, budget and Continuous Quality Improvement.

She held a similar position with Doyme Hospital as Department Manager. Previously, Derus was Chief Radiation Therapist in the department. She is a past Director of the School for Radiation Therapy Technology and worked at the Walter Reed Medical Center as Chief Radiation Therapist.

She holds a B.A. from the University of Vermont and an Associate Degree in Radiation Therapy Technology.

Sarah Lawrence is the Director of the Emergency Department/Trauma Center. She joined Froedtert after working at the former Doyme Hospital since 1990. She began her job there as an Emergency Department staff nurse and Medical College research coordinator.

Lawrence also worked at the Carson Tahoe Hospital in Carson City, Nevada as Emergency Department Manager. Prior to that she was an Emergency Medicine nurse at Washoe Medical Center in Reno, Nevada.

She holds a teaching degree, is a Registered Nurse and received her Masters degree from the University of Nevada.

Helena Kecman Lorbeck directs three Froedtert Hospital units: Med/Psych on

6-South, Rehabilitation on 5M at Froedtert East and the DePaul Chemical Dependency Unit.

She served as a Clinical Supervisor for the Behavioral Evaluation and Treatment Unit at the former Doyme Hospital which included the unit at DePaul. This service continues as a result of a strategic alliance between Froedtert and Lutheran Social Services.

Lorbeck has worked in chemical dependency, cardiac care, hypertension, Neonatal Intensive Care and was on the faculty of the Milwaukee County School of Nursing. She also worked for the Underground Switchboard in Milwaukee and the Salvation Army.

Lorbeck received her B.A. in Special Education from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and went on to get her nursing degree in 1972. She continued her graduate education at the UWM School of Education.

Debbie Rugg is the new Patient Care Director for General Surgery, Vascular Surgery, Cardiology and Cardiothoracic Surgery.

Previously, she was Supervisor of the Specialty Surgical Unit for Doyme Hospital. Prior to that Rugg served as a Surgical Nurse Manager of a 52 bed unit at Mercy Hospital in Janesville. She was also a staff and charge nurse at St. Luke's Medical Center in Milwaukee, working in the Orthopaedic and surgical units.

Rugg completed her Bachelor of Science-Nursing degree at Marian College in Fond du Lac and holds a Masters of Science in Health Services Administration from Cardinal Stritch College in Milwaukee.

Minimally Invasive Surgery Center Formed

Surgical techniques have progressed rapidly in the last 10 years to a point where many are now less "invasive." That is, instead of relying on relatively large incisions, these procedures introduce small surgical instruments and fiber optic viewing devices (sometimes called endoscopes) through far smaller openings.

A value of these surgeries is they reduce recovery time and costs for the patient. Medical College physicians have pioneered many of these new minimally invasive surgeries, and are seeing their techniques adopted by hospitals around the world.

Now Froedtert Hospital and the Medical College have formed the Froedtert Minimally Invasive Surgery Center, a multi-disciplinary program devoted to providing patients with endoscopic treatment options. The Departments of General Surgery, Obstetrics/Gynecology, Cardiothoracic Surgery, Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, Orthopaedics and Urology are involved. For more information, call 454-5757.



Dr. Frantzides performs Laparoscopic Surgery - a minimally invasive alternative. Advancing technology has played an important role in making laparoscopy possible. Tiny fiber-optic tubes with telescopic lens, miniature lights and palm-size video cameras are used to view the internal operating area.