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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

WESLEY MEDICAL CENTER Wichita, Kansas

Pharmacy Clinical Specialist, Cardiovascular Diseases (5/2000 – present)

- Implement and supervise the clinical pharmacy activities of the Coronary Care Unit, Telemetry units, Cardiac Interventional Unit, Chest Pain Center, and the Cardiovascular and Electrophysiology Laboratories
- Provide direct patient care for the Coronary Care Unit and provide therapeutic recommendations to physicians utilizing evidence-based medicine
- Direct formulary drug reviews, perform medication use evaluations and develop protocols for cardiovascular medicines and disease states
- Committee membership: Chest Pain Center, Heart Failure, Code Blue, Code Blue Review Subcommittee, Stroke committee, Pharmacy & Therapeutics Antibiotic Subcommittee, P&T Anticoagulation Subcommittee, Cardiovascular Center of Excellence, Cardiac Rehabilitation, Wichita Citywide Heart Care Collaboration, Cardiovascular Collaborative, Critical Care Collaborative, Therapeutic Hypothermia, Wichita Quality Health Collaborative, Pharmacy Residency Advisory Committee, DVT prevention, CV Quality Improvement, Collaborative Practice/Prescriptive Authority Committee
- PGY-1 Pharmacy Practice residency preceptor (2004-present)
- PGY-2 Critical Care pharmacy residency preceptor (2010-present)
- University of Kansas School of Pharmacy preceptor for PPHR 660 Cardiology (2000 – present)
- University of Kansas School of Pharmacy Adjunct Clinical Assistant Professor (2001 – present)
- University of Kansas School of Pharmacy Clinical Skills Competition Judge (2015)
- Kansas Board of Pharmacy Continuing Education Committee (2015-present)
- HealthTrust Clinical Pharmacy Advisory Board member (2015-2017)
- HealthTrust Clinical Pharmacy Advisory Board Cardiovascular Ad Hoc Committee (2015)
- University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Pharmacy Adjunct Clinical Faculty (2008-2010)
- Pharmacy Anticoagulation Service team leader (2004 - 2009)
- Pharmacist-in-Charge for the Cardiovascular Center at Wesley outpatient heart catheterization laboratory (2006-2008)
- University of Kansas School of Pharmacy Adjunct Faculty for non-traditional Doctor of Pharmacy program PPHR 627 Cardiology modules (2006-2008)
- Guest faculty for Newman University CRNA program and Wichita State University PA program (2000-2003)

Clinical Staff Pharmacist (6/1995 – 5/2000)

- Performed physician order review in critical care and internal medicine units of the hospital
- Daily clinical activities include monitoring patient response to medications and providing therapeutic recommendations
- Assisted in patient monitoring, ordering of laboratory tests, and dosage change recommendations for the outpatient pharmacy warfarin clinic
- Member of Code Blue and Level 1 Trauma Response teams
- Served as the pharmacy liaison for the coronary care unit, electrophysiology laboratory, surgical telemetry unit, cardiovascular laboratory and the Center for Reproductive Medicine

ALERE HOME MONITORING (formerly Tapestry Medical) Livermore, California

Patient Trainer for home INR self-testing (2007 – 2017)

THE CENTER FOR BIOANALYTICAL RESEARCH The University of Kansas – Lawrence, Kansas

Laboratory Assistant (1993)

- Performed laboratory work under the direction of Christopher M. Riley, Ph.D. and Sheila R. Knaub, R.Ph.

HOFFMANN LA-ROCHE Nutley, New Jersey

NPC Pharmaceutical Industry Summer Internship Program (1993)

PHARMACEUTICAL SPEAKER'S BUREAU OR ADVISORY PANEL:

Astra-Zeneca, Sanofi-Aventis, The Medicine's Company

EDUCATION

The University Of Kansas Lawrence, Kansas (1989 – 1995) Doctor of Pharmacy May 1995
The Wichita State University Wichita, Kansas (1988 – 1989)

LICENSURE/TRAINEESHIPS

Board Certified Pharmacotherapy Specialist (2013-present)
Board Certified Pharmacotherapy Specialist – Added Qualifications Cardiology (2015-present)
Registered pharmacist in the state of Kansas (1995 – present)
Licensed to practice as a pharmacy student preceptor in Kansas (1998 – present)
Basic Life Support (1995 – present)
Advanced Cardiac Life Support (2003 – present)
Advanced Cardiac Life Support instructor (2007 – present)
Certified Anticoagulation Patient Self-Testing Educator – University of Southern Indiana (2009)
Anticoagulation Traineeship for Health Care Professionals – The University of Oklahoma (2001)

ORGANIZATIONS & ACTIVITIES

American Heart Association/American Stroke Association (2003 – present)
 Council on Basic Cardiovascular Sciences, Council on Clinical Cardiology
American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (1993 – present)
 Appointed to Council on Pharmacy Practice (2016-present)
 • Vice Chair (2017-present)
 Medical Aid in Dying Task Force (2016)
Kansas Council of Health-System Pharmacists (2011-present)
 District 5 Director (2013-2017)
Anticoagulation Forum (2004 – present)
Kansas Board of Pharmacy Continuing Education Committee (2015-present)
Wesley Medical Center Ambassador Club (2004-present) President (2006-2007), Vice-President (2006)
North Newton Parks and Recreation Committee (2004 – present)
Harvey County Cities Readiness Initiative Emergency Preparedness Committee (2008 – present)
Newton/North Newton Planning Commission (2014-present)
Newton Booster Club Board Member (2017-present)
Newton Warriors Youth Football Coach (2012-2015)
Newton DirtBaggers Youth Baseball Coach (2013-present)
Kansas Pharmacists Association (1991 – 2008)
American Pharmaceutical Association (1991 – 2003)

HONORS

- HCA Innovators Award for Financial Impact at the Facility Level “*Responsible Utilization of Isoproterenol Resources*” (2014)
- Wesley Medical Center Pharmacy Practice Residency Mentor of the Year (2014 & 2015)
- University of Kansas School of Pharmacy Clinical Preceptor of the Year (2009)
- John M. Eisenberg Patient Safety and Quality Award for Innovation in Patient Safety and Quality at a Local Level (2006)
- HCA/Wesley Medical Center Frist Humanitarian Award (2004)
- Wesley Medical Center Ambassador Club – elected for outstanding representation of the employee population (2004)
- WMC Department of Pharmacy Certificate of Merit for preparing physicians for community practice (2000)
- Phi Lambda Upsilon National Honorary Chemical Society (1995)
- University of Kansas School of Pharmacy Honor Roll (spring, fall 1993, fall 1994, spring 1995)
- University of Kansas Dean’s Honor Roll (spring, fall 1993, fall 1994, spring 1995)
- Order of Omega Greek Honor Society for academic and leadership achievement (1991)
- Emory Lindquist Honor Society at The Wichita State University (fall 1988)
- The Wichita State University Dean’s Honor Roll (fall 1988)

PUBLICATIONS/POSTERS***Door to CT: EMS Collaboration Improves tPA Administration Times.***

Murphy C, Slechta J, Gallagher J, et al. Poster presented at the 36th Annual Family Medicine Winter Symposium; Wichita, KS. December 9-10, 2016.

Door to CT: EMS Collaboration Improves tPA Administration Times.

Murphy C, Slechta J, Gallagher J, et al. Poster presented at the Institute of Healthcare Improvement 28th Annual National Forum on Quality Improvement in Health Care; Orlando, FL. December 4-7, 2016.

A Retrospective Pilot Study of Bleeding Incidence of Triple Therapy with Warfarin Versus Novel Oral Anticoagulants

Thomas L, Mayle C, Slechta J

- Poster presentation. Midwest Residency conference. Omaha, NE. April 2015
- Second place award at Kansas Council of Health System Pharmacists Annual Meeting. March 2015.
- Poster presentation. ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting, Anaheim, CA. December 2014

Evaluation of Risk Factors for the Development of Amiodarone Infusion Site Reactions Christie A, Slechta J

- Poster presentation. ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting, Las Vegas, NV. December 2012

A Retrospective Analysis of Bleeding Incidences Associated with Unfractionated Heparin Versus Bivalirudin During Percutaneous Coronary Intervention Gerlach C, Slechta J, Kramer J

- Poster presentation. Midwest Residency conference. Omaha, NE. April 2010

A Retrospective Evaluation of Nesiritide Usage and Outcomes Shenava RG, Slechta J, Martinez G, Kallail KJ, Golbeck A

- Presented at the American Society of Nephrology 39th Annual Renal Week Conference. San Diego, CA. November 2006

A Retrospective Evaluation of Nesiritide Costs Versus Benefits Shenava RG, Slechta J, Martinez G, Kallail KJ, Golbeck A

- Presented at the American Society of Nephrology 39th Annual Renal Week Conference. San Diego, CA. November 2006

A Retrospective, One Year Evaluation of Nesiritide Utilization Blackburn K, Slechta J, Hale L

- Presented at the Kansas/Missouri Society of Health-System Pharmacists meeting. April 2006
- Third place award at the Wichita State University Symposium on Graduate Research and Scholarly Projects. April 2006

Wichita Heart Care Collaborative: A Cooperative Approach for Standardization and Improving the Care of the Acute Myocardial Infarction and Heart Failure Patient

- Presented at the 6th Scientific Forum on Quality of Care and Outcomes Research in Cardiovascular Disease and Stroke
- *Circulation* 2005;111:e335.

Getting to the Heart of the Matter...A Wichita City-wide Collaborative Approach

- Presented at the American Association of Critical Care Nurses meeting. May 2005.

Safety and Efficacy of Fondaparinux vs. Enoxaparin for Venous Thromboembolism Prophylaxis

- Presented at the Kansas/Missouri Society of Health-System Pharmacists meeting. April 2004
- Published in the *Journal of Kansas Pharmacy*. 78(6). June 2004

Outcomes in Hospitalized Patients Treated with Warfarin

- Presented at the Kansas Society of Health-System Pharmacists spring meeting (2003)
- Published in the *Journal of Kansas Pharmacy*. 77(6). June 2003

Therapeutic Initiative and Position Statement on Parenteral Antithrombotic Therapy

- Clinical Advisory Group Member for McKesson/HBOC MedManagement, Purchasing Alliance for Clinical Therapeutics, HealthTrust Purchasing Group, HCA Pharmacy Advisory Network for the HCA hospital network. November 2003

KO'ing QT Syndrome

- Interviewed for *Drug Topics* cover story on long QT syndrome and drugs that prolong the QT interval. July 2001

FDA approves new Integrilin labeling based on ESPRIT results

- Published in WMC Cardiovascular Services Newsletter *Cardiology News*. July 2001

Therapeutic Initiative and Position Statement on Glycoprotein IIb/IIIa Receptor Antagonists

- Co-author for McKesson/HBOC MedManagement, Purchasing Alliance for Clinical Therapeutics, HealthTrust Purchasing Group, HCA Pharmacy Advisory Network document on Glycoprotein IIb/IIIa inhibitors for the HCA hospital network. April 2000

A ¹⁹F NMR study of lomefloxacin in human erythrocytes and its interaction with hemoglobin

- Presented at the Eight Annual Meeting and Exposition of the American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists. Orlando, FL November 1993.
- Presented at the Fourth International Workshop on Bioanalysis. Lawrence, KS July 1994.
- Presented at the Fifth International Symposium on Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Analysis. Stockholm, Sweden September 1994.
- Presented at the Ninth Annual Meeting and Exposition of the American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists. San Diego, CA November 1994.
- Published in the *Journal of Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Analysis*. 13 (1995) 1225-1233

PRESENTATIONS***Heart Failure Therapy: Is a PARADIGM SHIFT looming?***

- Wesley Family Medicine Residency. Wichita, KS. June & November 2017
- University of Kansas Internal Medicine Grand Rounds. Wichita, KS. May 2017
- Kansas Academy of Physician Assistants Heart of American Annual Meeting. Wichita, KS. October 2016

Building Wealth for the Young Professional

- Wesley Medical Center. Wichita, KS. June 2015, May 2016, January 2017

HealthTrust MPI/Cardiac Stress Test Initiative

- Expert panelist for nationwide webinar. November 2015

Target Specific Anticoagulation for Atrial Fibrillation Stroke Prevention

- Kansas Academy of Physician Assistants Heart of America Annual Meeting. Wichita, KS. October 2015
- Wesley Family Medicine Residency. Wichita, KS. May 2015
- University of Kansas Internal Medicine Residency. Wichita, KS. February 2015

Managing Pharmacotherapy Costs in Myocardial Perfusion Imaging

- HealthTrust Conference & Vendor Fair. Nashville, TN. August 2015

2014 Update on Hypertension and Cholesterol Guidelines

- Kansas Academy of Physician Assistants Heart of America Annual Meeting. Wichita, KS. October 2014

Warfarin vs. the New Oral Anticoagulants

- Wesley Family Medicine Residency. Wichita, KS. August 2014

Warfarin, New Oral Anticoagulants, and Buying a Car

- University of Kansas Internal Medicine Residency. Wichita, KS. February 2014

Current Management Strategies in the Treatment of Acute Coronary Syndromes

- Stone Creek Family Physicians office presentation. Manhattan, KS. November 2013

Clinical Decisions for Patients with Acute Coronary Syndromes

- Salina Regional Health Center. Salina, KS. November 2012
- Hays Medical Center. Hays, KS. May 2012

New Cardiovascular Medications – Let the Bleeding Begin

- Kansas Pharmacists Association Chain Academy dinner presentation. Wichita, KS. February 2012

Common Discharge Medications for the Cardiac Patient

- Review presentation for WMC cardiac rehab nursing department. Wichita, KS. November 2011

Topics in Contemporary Cardiovascular Medicine

- CE presentation for Kansas Pharmacists Association annual meeting. Wichita, KS. September 2011

Modern Pharmacologic Strategies for Acute Coronary Syndromes

- CE presentation for Kansas Council of Health-System Pharmacists district meeting. Wichita, KS. September 2011

Go Red for Women

- Community “ask the experts” educational breakout session. Wichita, KS. July 2011

Review and Challenges of Therapeutic Hypothermia

- Presented to WMC trauma physician assistants. Wichita, KS. June 2011

A Practical Approach to Monitoring the Cardiac Patient

- Presented to WMC pharmacists. Wichita, KS. April 2011

Paralyzing the Therapeutic Hypothermia Patient

- Presented to WMC cardiovascular lab staff. Wichita, KS. April 2011

Identifying Inappropriate Patients for Prasugrel Therapy

- Presented to WMC cardiovascular lab staff. Wichita, KS. December 2010

2010: A Medication Odyssey

- Townsend Cardiovascular Nursing Symposium, Wichita, KS Sept 2010

Bridging the Gap: Transitioning From the Hospital to the Primary Care Provider with Warfarin Therapy

- Kansas Healthcare Collaborative: First Summit on Quality. Topeka, KS. October 2009

Dronedrone for Atrial Fibrillation and Flutter

- Kansas Council of Health-Systems Pharmacists Meeting. Wichita, KS. October 2009

Antithrombotics and Antiplatelet Agents for PCI

- Presented to WMC CCU nurses. Wichita, KS. June 2009

Update in Anticoagulation

- CME presentation for St. Catherine Hospital. Garden City, KS. April 2009

Anticoagulation Therapy

- ACCME presentation for the University of Kansas Medical Center. Great Bend, KS. February 2009

Medications for High Cholesterol

- Presented to Wichita area Mended Hearts Support Group. Wichita, KS. January 2009

Anticoagulation in the 21st Century

- Wichita Academy of Pharmacists meeting. Wichita, KS. November 2008

Reducing Patient Harm Associated with Anticoagulants

- Pharmacist dinner presentation. Wichita, KS. November 2008

Anticoagulation Safety and Monitoring

- WMC family medicine morning report presentation. Wichita, KS. November 2008

Cardiovascular Medication Update

- Dinner presentation to physicians, pharmacists, nurses. Hutchinson, KS. September 2008

Joint Commission National Patient Safety Goal 3E

- Presented to WMC pharmacists. Wichita, KS. September 2008

Medications for Heart Failure

- Presented to Wichita area Mended Hearts Support Group. Wichita, KS. September 2008

Antiplatelet and Antithrombotic Therapy Review for Heart Catheterization

- WMC cath lab presentation. Wichita, KS. August 2008

Evidence Based Medication Practices for Cardiovascular Diseases

- Family Medicine Residency lunch presentation. Wichita, KS. May 2008
- Women's Cardiovascular & Stroke Conference. Wichita, KS. March 2008

ACA/AHA 2007 Guidelines for UA/NSTEMI: Evidence based use of antiplatelet and anticoagulant therapy

- Dinner presentation for Wichita area hospital pharmacists. Wichita, KS. Nov 2007

What's in the Medicine Cabinet for 2007?

- Townsend Cardiovascular Nursing Symposium. Wichita, KS. Sept 2007

Perioperative Anticoagulation Bridging Strategies

- Dinner presentation to physicians, pharmacists, nurses. Amarillo, TX. April 2007

Pharmacotherapy of Heart Failure

- Critical Care Nursing certification review course lecture. Wichita, KS. November 2006

Adult Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation and Emergency Cardiovascular Care: 2005 AHA guidelines

- Presented to WMC cardiovascular laboratory staff. Wichita, KS. October 2006
- Presentation included as required education for WMC staff via intranet. September 2006

What's New in Heart Failure: 2005 Guideline Updates

- Newton Medical Center Medical-Surgical Update conference. Newton, KS. October 2006
- American Heart Association Annual Cardiovascular Nursing Seminar. Wichita, KS. February 2006

Pharmacist Rounding in the ICU

- Nationwide webcast presented to HCA hospitals. August 2006

Heparin-induced thrombocytopenia – Recognition, Treatment and Prevention

- Continuing education lecture for Newton Medical Center nurses and pharmacists. April 2006

Emergency Cardiovascular Care for the Pharmacist

- Continuing education lecture for WMC pharmacists. April 2006

Prevention of Venous Thromboembolism

- Continuing education lecture for Hutchinson Hospital staff. Hutchinson, KS. March 2006

Acute Coronary Syndromes: Get with the Guidelines

- CME lecture for Kingman Community hospital staff. October 2005
- Continuing Education lecture for Wesley Medical Center pharmacists. June 2003
- CME lecture for Cloud County Health Center physicians, physician's assistants and nurses. April 2003

Interdisciplinary Teamwork – Know your resources

- Presented at the Kansas Student Nurses Association meeting. October 2005

Early directed Care for the Heart Attack Patient

- Continuing education lecture for WMC pharmacy staff. July 2005

The Adrenergic System and Vasopressors

- Presented to Wichita State nursing students. June 2005

Strategies for Prevention of Radio-Contrast Nephropathy – What's with all the Bicarb?

- Presented to WMC nursing staff. March 2005

Patient Controlled Analgesia

- Presented to WMC family practice residents. October 2003, December 2004

Cardiotoxic Agents: Poisons with Therapeutic Side Effects

- Presented to Wichita-area echocardiography staff. October 2004

Low Molecular Weight Heparin: Implications for the Cardiac Cath Lab

- Presented to WMC cardiovascular lab staff. October 2004

Wichita Citywide Collaborative

- Panel discussion for the Kansas Foundation for Medical Care Heart Care Outcomes Congress. Wichita, KS. August 2004

Cardiology Therapeutics Update- Nesiritide, Renal dosing of Enoxaparin & Eptifibatide, Bivalirudin, and Sodium Bicarbonate for Prevention Contrast-Induced Nephropathy

- Presentation and newsletter for WMC CCU and CVL staff and physicians. June 2004

Current Topics in Anticoagulation

- American Heart Association Annual Cardiovascular Nursing Seminar. Wichita, KS. January 2004
- Continuing Education lecture for Wesley Medical Center pharmacists. February 2004

Cardiac Pharmacology; Catecholamines, Sympathomimetic Drugs and Adrenergic Receptor Antagonists

- Lecture presentation for NAN 6032 Pharmacology for Anesthesia
- Newman University CRNA program, Wichita, KS. December 1999 - 2003

Direct Thrombin Inhibitors

- Presented to WMC SICU, MICU, and CCU nursing staff. October 2003

Direct Thrombin Inhibitors: PCI anticoagulation in patients with HIT

- Presented to WMC cardiovascular lab staff. August 2003

Medications for Supraventricular Tachycardia in the Labor and Delivery Setting

- Presented to WMC labor & delivery staff. March 2003

Selected Agents that Affect Hemostasis

- Presented to WMC cardiovascular lab staff. January 2003

Acute Myocardial Infarction

- Lecture presentation for HS 711 Pharmacological Management of Acute and Chronic Diseases
- The Wichita State University. Graduate level course for nurse practitioner and physician assistant students. April 1999, May 2000, May 2001, May 2002

Antidysrhythmic Agents

- Lecture presentation for HS 711 Pharmacological Management of Acute and Chronic Diseases
- The Wichita State University. Graduate level course for nurse practitioner and physician assistant students. November 1997, April 1999, May 2000, May 2001, May 2002

Cardiac Medications

- A question and answer presentation for the Sedgwick County American Heart Association Support Group March 2002

Antihypertensive therapy and the Pre-Op Patient

- Presented to the WMC surgical floor nurses. February 2002

Alternative Therapies

- Presentation to the Wichita, Kansas area Alpha Delta Pi sorority alumni. January 2002

Enoxaparin Therapeutic Overview

- An inservice presented to WMC telemetry nurses. January 2002, February 2002

Current Concepts in Thrombosis

- Presented to the Wichita Academy of Pharmacists. October 2001

Eptifibatide in the Coronary Care Unit: A Review of the Recent Clinical Trials

- An inservice presented to WMC Coronary Care Unit nurses. August 2001

Dofetilide: A Selective Class III Antidysrhythmic Agent

- An inservice presented to WMC Coronary Care Unit nurses. August 2001

OTC Medications and Home Remedies

- Presented to Wesley Family Practice resident and attending physicians. June 2001

Oral Antidysrhythmic Drugs

- Presented to WMC nursing staff as part of a biannual nursing continuing education seminar. 1996 – 2001.
- Presented to the Wesley Medical Center pharmacy staff. August 1996

State of the Heart Care

- An interview focusing on drugs used for the management of coronary artery disease.
- The Family Health Channel, Wichita, KS. January 2001

Antidysrhythmic Drug Therapy and Patient Information

- Discussion lecture presented to the Wichita Area ICD Support Group. June 1999

Vitamins

- A television call-in interview and discussion regarding the use of vitamins KSNW Channel 3, Wichita, KS. Sept. 1998

Chest Pain

- An interview discussing the presentation, differential diagnosis and treatment of chest pain syndromes for a 24-hour health news and information television station. The Family Health Channel, Wichita, KS. June 1998

Congenital Heart Disease

- An interview reviewing congenital heart diseases, prevention and treatment options.
- The Family Health Channel, Wichita, KS. April 1998

Aneurysms

- An interview focusing on the presentation of aneurysms, surgical and medical management, and living with an aneurysm.
- The Family Health Channel, Wichita, KS. February 1998

Schizophrenia

- A review of the incidence, diagnosis, and therapy associated with schizophrenia and an introduction to new antipsychotics.
- Presented to the University of Kansas Medical Center pharmacy faculty and doctor of pharmacy students. March 1995