

# County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2020 Legislative Session

Legislative day # 15

## RESOLUTION NO. 161 - 2020

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Melinda E. Kantsiper, M.D., to the Board of Health.

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Introduced and read first time on November 2, 2020.

By order Diane Schwartz Jones  
Diane Schwartz Jones, Administrator to the County Council

Read for a second time and a public hearing held on November 6, 2020.

By order Diane Schwartz Jones  
Diane Schwartz Jones, Administrator to the County Council

This Resolution was read the third time and was Adopted , Adopted with amendments , Failed , Withdrawn  by the County Council on December 1, 2020.

Certified by Diane R. Jones  
Diane Schwartz Jones, Administrator to the County Council

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing language; TEXT IN SMALL CAPITALS indicates additions to existing language. ~~Strike out~~ indicates material deleted by amendment; Underlining indicates material added by amendment.

*Therapeutics, Informatics, Utilization Review, Credentials, Medical Executive, and Health Information Management.*

2015-2020 Medical Director of Hospital Medicine Specialties, JHCP  
*JHCP Endocrine, Palliative Care, and Infectious Disease programs at HCGH, Suburban, and Sibley Hospitals.*

2017-2020 Sibley Hospital, mentor to hospitalist practice  
*Oversaw their transition to JHCP.*

2020-present:

CMO, Baltimore Convention Center Field Hospital: *250 bed Maryland State Government facility for COVID patients jointly operated by Johns Hopkins and the University of Maryland. Maryland State Health Department site for bi-weekly walk-up testing fairs. To date we have cared for more than 260 inpatients and tested >33,000 members of the public.*

Clinical Director, Division of Hospital Medicine, Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center.

### **Publications:**

Chaudhary MJ, Howell E, Ficke JR, Loffredo A, Wortman L, Benton GM, Deol GS, **Kantsiper ME**. Caring for patients at a COVID-19 field hospital. *J Hosp Med.* 2020; in press

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Eid S, Sridharan A, Boonyasai R, Chandra S, Tad-y D, Thakkar R, Washburn C, **Kantsiper ME**. In the Literature: A guide to this month's studies. *The Hospitalist* 2009 July.

Bhokal, H, Eid, S, **Kantsiper ME**. Key Clinical Question: When Should an IVC Filter Be Used to Treat a DVT? *The Hospitalist* 2010 March.

#### **Other Publications/Other Media:**

**Kantsiper ME**. June 2020. Lessons from the AIDS Epidemic.

<https://closler.org/lifelong-learning-in-clinical-excellence/lessons-from-the-aids-epidemic>

Coffee with Jim: Podcasts with Healthcare Leaders. "Engaging Your Physicians and Physician Leaders during the Pandemic." [https://jamesmckenna.org/coffee-with-jim-podcasts/?utm\\_medium=email&hsmi=2&hsenc=p2ANqtz-8NPsR9exm9W72TuGptFCzXOjY5XKdzH2OtKPSQt5moKSCLtBADAhJiMbGSQV PoRaakCCrervP5VqhM92I5-z-io3kdw&utm\\_content=2&utm\\_source=hs\\_email](https://jamesmckenna.org/coffee-with-jim-podcasts/?utm_medium=email&hsmi=2&hsenc=p2ANqtz-8NPsR9exm9W72TuGptFCzXOjY5XKdzH2OtKPSQt5moKSCLtBADAhJiMbGSQV PoRaakCCrervP5VqhM92I5-z-io3kdw&utm_content=2&utm_source=hs_email)

#### **Grants – Completed**

7/1/08-6/30/11

A Survivorship Program for Breast Cancer: A Transition for Patients and Providers  
Sponsor: Susan G. Komen for the Cure Maryland

7/1/06-6/30/07

The Transition to Survivorship: A Qualitative Study of the Needs and Expectations of Breast Cancer Patients, Primary Care Providers, and Oncology Specialists. Sponsor: American Cancer Society

9/1/07-4/30/09

The Transition to Survivorship: A Qualitative Study of the Needs and Expectations of Breast Cancer Patients, Primary Care Providers, and Oncology Specialists. Sponsor: Johns Hopkins Avon Breast Center

### **Certifications**

Maryland licensure (D0056245)

American Board of Internal Medicine Certified 2000, recertified 2010

### **Educational Activities**

#### **Teaching**

##### ***Classroom instruction***

2001-2008: Evidence Based Medicine, for Johns Hopkins Bayview internal medicine interns.

2004-2005: Preceptor for AIME: An Integrated Medical Encounter, for Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine students.

##### ***Clinical Instruction***

2000-2005: Preceptor in Ambulatory Medicine, for Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine students.

2002: Preceptor for Introduction to Community Medicine, Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine,

2005-2008: Co-developer and co-director of Hospitalist elective for medical students and medicine residents at Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center.

2006-present: Ward attending at Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center.

2012, 2016-2018: mentor for high school GT elective in hospital medicine

2013-2015: Preceptor for Preventive Medicine Residents, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health.

##### ***Continuing Medical Education Instruction***

December 2008: "Ongoing Care of the Cancer Survivor: An Evolving Role for the Generalist." The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine/Harvard Medical School Continuing Education Course (Current Clinical Issues in Primary Care) Pri-Med Conference. Baltimore, Maryland.

December 2009: “Breast Cancer Survivors: What Primary Care Providers Should Know. A Multi-Perspective Panel-Audience Symposium,” Moderator. The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine/Harvard Medical School Continuing Education Course (Current Clinical Issues in Primary Care) Pri-Med Conference. Baltimore, Maryland.

April 2012: “Innovative Scheduling and Rounding Workshop” panelist, Society of Hospital Medicine, Annual Meeting, San Diego, California.

May 2013: “Busting the Bottlenecks: How to improve throughput at your hospital” panelist, Society of Hospital Medicine, Annual Meeting. Washington DC.

November 2007, 2012, 2015: Society of Hospital Medicine Leadership Academy, facilitator.

**Posters/Presentations:**

April 2003: “Outpatient Geriatric Functional Assessment: Using the Evidence to Develop a Systems Based Approach in Residency and Beyond,” NEGEA Regional Meeting, Boston MA.

September 2008: “Breast Cancer survivorship care: Perspectives of patients, cancer specialists, and primary care providers,” Association of Clinical Oncologists, Breast Cancer Symposium, Washington, DC.

June 2010: “Analysis of Questions Submitted by Primary Care Providers on Breast Cancer Survivorship” NCI, Fifth Biennial Cancer Survivorship Research Conference, Washington, DC.

2012-2014: Leadership Howard County. Annual presentation on Hospitalists and Hospital Medicine

June 2013: “Improving Care Transitions between Howard County General Hospital’s Collaborative Inpatient Medicine Service and Primary Care Providers.” Abstract, with invited Podium Presentation, Armstrong Institute, Fourth Annual Patient Safety Summit. Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, MD. Laura D. Sander, MD, MPH, Anirudh Sridharan, MD, Melinda E. Kantsiper, MD.

May 2020: Princeton Alumni invited panelist: COVID Crisis: Medical Response from P’92. National zoom session with medical leaders.

May 2020: Invited speaker for Society of Hospital Medicine Maryland Chapter, with Eric Howell “The Baltimore Convention Center Field Hospital: Success in Quality, Compassion and Mission a Perspective from the CMOs” This meeting was expanded to all SHM chapters and included a national audience.

June 2020: Invited speaker for the Greater Washington Area Physicians of India Origin (GWAPI), with Laura Wortman and Mihir Chaudhary. “Readiness and Response: Lessons learned from caring for positive patients at the Baltimore Convention Center Field Hospital.

August 2020: Participated in BCCFH on site visit and briefing for the US Surgeon General Dr. Jerome Adams and USPHS staff.

September 2020: Invited speaker for UMMC Midtown Internal Medicine Noon Conference, with Tyler Cymet. “Baltimore Convention Center Field Hospital”

September 2020: Invited speaker for UM Capital Region Grand Rounds, with Charles Callahan, Tyler Cymet, and Mihir Chaudhary. “Covid and the Creation of a field hospital at the Baltimore Convention Center: an ongoing experience.”

October 2020: Invited speaker for MedStar Health Grand Rounds, with Tyler Cymet and Sharon Smyth. “The Story of the Baltimore Convention Center Field Hospital and Covid-19.”

October 2020: Participated in US Department of Health and Human Services Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) Technical Resources, Assistance Center, and Information Exchange (TRACIE) and BCCFH Leadership Briefing: Covid-19 ACS Operations.

### ***Educational Program Building***

2005-2008: Co-developer and co-director of Hospitalist elective for medical students and medicine residents at Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center.

2013-2020: Co-developer hospitalist electives for Medical Students, Nurse Practitioner Students, Physician Assistant Students, Pharmacy Residents.

### **Organizational Activities**

#### **Howard County General Hospital:**

Pain Committee (2010-15)

Brain Attack Committee (2010-20)

Observation Unit Taskforce (2010-12)

Clinical Department Review Committee (2010-15)

Patient and Family Centered Care Committee (2014)

ED Taskforce (2015-18)

Grievance Committee (2014-20)

Patient Flow Improvement Committee (2014-18)

Readmissions Committee (2015-20)

Early Ambulation Workgroup (2014-17)

Daily Safety Briefing Development Committee (2014-20)

Multidisciplinary Rounds Workgroup (2014-20)  
Blood Management Committee (2015-20)  
Quality, Safety & Service Committee of the Board of Trustees and Professional Staff (2015-20)  
Artifact Workgroup for Physician Queries (2016-present)  
Marquis II study site for Medication Reconciliation (2016-2018)  
Anti-Microbial Stewardship Committee (2016-17)  
Medical Executive Committee (2016-2018)  
MHAC workgroup (2018-20)  
UM Workgroup (2018-20)  
Future Operation Planning Workgroup (2019-20)  
Long Length of Stay Workgroup (2019-20)  
ECIP/HCIP committee chair (2018-20)

Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Cancer Committee: Tumor Board Coordinator (2006-2010)

Armstrong Medication Safety Study: co-investigator

JHCP Credentials Committee (2014-present)

Johns Hopkins Armstrong Institute for Patient Safety and Quality: Hospitalist Clinical Community, Medication Management Clinical Community (2014-present)

Project Equip. Johns Hopkins Division of Hospital Medicine Quality Dashboard and Analytics. Used to optimize LOS, MHACs, Cost Per Case, Denials, and other value based metrics determined yearly by Hopkins hospitals. (2014-present)

Epic Physician Champion, Howard County General Hospital (2011-2015)

**Professional Societies:**

American College of Physicians, Society of Hospital Medicine, Society of General Internal Medicine

**Recognition**

2018: Johns Hopkins Annual Clinical Excellence Award: Clinical Collaboration and Teamwork

2016: Johns Hopkins Community Physicians, Academy of Clinical Excellence, founding class

2016: Hospitalist of the Year, Society of Hospital Medicine, Maryland Chapter

2015: Johns Hopkins Annual Clinical Excellence Award: Excellence in Service and Professionalism

2011, 2014: Tim Kelly Patient Safety Award, Howard County General Hospital

August 1994: Michael W. Pozen, MD Memorial Scholarship. *Presented by the New Jersey Medical School Alumni Association for academic merit and community activities.*

August 1995: Cindy Saporito, MD Memorial Scholarship. *Presented by the New Jersey Medical School Alumni Association for academic merit and community activities.*

Dean's Letter of Commendation – 1993-1995. New Jersey Medical School.

**Community Activities:**

Mount Hebron Presbyterian Church, elder

Cub Scout Pack 361, Pinewood Derby Auction Chair (2014-2018)

It's Academic, reader/scorekeeper (2018-present)

Centennial High School Boosters (2019-present)