

Issues Programs List

Quarterly Issues Programs List

Station: WFNT

July 1, 2020 through September 30, 2020

Section I - Issues

The station has identified the following topics as significant issues facing our community in this quarter:

- A. **COVID-19:** Virtually everyone in our communities have been affected by the coronavirus pandemic and in ways we could not have imagined. Our programs shared the latest on the pandemic, how to best combat the virus, discussed the latest literature on COVID-19, and explained the cardiac risks of using off-label drugs to treat COVID-19.
- B. **SAFELY RETURNING TO SCHOOL:** Whether in person, online or a hybrid model of education, families and school districts are planning for how to safely teach students during the Covid-19 pandemic. Dr. Nipunie Rajapakse, a pediatric infectious disease specialist at Mayo Clinic, discussed how students, teachers and staff can use public health measures already in place to minimize risk of exposure of exposure to the virus and reduce community spread.
- C. **PROGRESS TOWARD A VACCINE AND THERAPIES:** Dr. Gregory Poland, an infectious disease expert and head of Mayo Clinic's Vaccine Research Group, updates on progress toward a vaccine for Covid-19, discussion of therapies for treating the virus, and shared research on how effective face masks and physical distancing are.
- D. **DECREASE IN CANCER DIAGNOSES.** Cancer diagnoses have decreased since the Covid-19 pandemic began, according to a study in JAMA. Dr. Nabil Wasif, a Mayo Clinic surgical oncologist said putting off routine screening tests means early cancers are not being detected. Routine screenings are recommended for breast, cervical and colon cancer, as well as lung cancer if the patient is a smoker.

Section II – Responsive Programming

WFNT aired the "Mayo Clinic Radio Show" every Saturday afternoon at 4:00 p.m.

A detailed log of the programming which aired for the quarter can be found below.

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QUARTERLY ISSUES REPORT, JULY - SEPTEMBER, 2020

Health

Mayo Clinic Radio, weekend of 07/04-05

**Date aired: July 4 Time Aired: 4pm
30:00**

Dr. Jennifer Martinez-Thompson, a Mayo Clinic neurologist, discussed treatment options for muscular dystrophy and MS. Also, Dr. Erica Loomis, a Mayo Clinic trauma and critical care surgeon, explained what causes intestinal obstruction and how it's treated. And Dr. Colin Driscoll, a Mayo Clinic otolaryngologist, outlined the health consequences of untreated hearing loss.

Mayo Clinic Radio, weekend of 07/11-12

**Date aired: July 11 Time Aired: 4pm
30:00**

Dr. Joseph Dearani, chair of Cardiovascular Surgery at Mayo Clinic, discussed recent advances in cardiac surgery, including new minimally invasive techniques. He also discussed the use of robotic procedures on the heart. Dr. Erin O'Brien, the division chair of Rhinology at Mayo Clinic, explained treatment for aspirin-exacerbated respiratory disease, also known as Samter's triad. And Dr. Jewel Kling, a women's health expert at Mayo Clinic, discussed gender identity.

Mayo Clinic Radio, weekend of 07/18-19

**Date aired: July 18 Time Aired: 4pm
30:00**

Dr. Bradley Erickson, a Mayo Clinic diagnostic radiologist, discussed Artificial Intelligence in medicine and society. Also, Dr. Alfredo Quinones-Hinojosa, chair of Neurosurgery at Mayo Clinic in Florida, shared the latest in neurologic surgery for hard-to-treat brain tumors. And Dr. Matthew Ziegelmann, a Mayo Clinic urologist, discussed Peyronie's disease.

Mayo Clinic Radio, weekend of 07/25-26

**Date aired: July 25 Time Aired: 4pm
30:00**

Dr. Gregory Poland, an infectious diseases expert and head of Mayo Clinic's Vaccine Research Group, covers the latest news on the COVID-19 pandemic. Dr. Poland gives an update on progress towards a vaccine for COVID-19, discussed therapies for treating the virus and shared research on how effective face masks and physical distancing are in fighting the spread of the disease. Also, Colleen Young, community director, and Rosemary Huckleberry, a volunteer mentor for Mayo Clinic Connect, shared how patients use the online patient community. And Dr. Steve Ommen, director for Mayo Clinic Center for Connected Care, will explain how digital medicine is changing health care.

Mayo Clinic Radio, weekend of 08/01-02**Date aired: __August 1__ Time Aired: __4pm__****30:00**

Dr. S. Vincent Rajkumar, a Mayo Clinic hematologist and researcher, discussed the concept of herd immunity and whether it would control the spread of COVID-19. Then, Dr. Bret Petersen, a Mayo Clinic gastroenterologist, discussed treatment for bile duct cancer. And Dr. Randall DeMartino, a Mayo Clinic vascular surgeon, explained peripheral artery disease, a common circulatory problem.

Mayo Clinic Radio, weekend of 08/08-09**Date aired: __August 8__ Time Aired: __4pm__****30:00**

Whether in person, online or a hybrid model of education, families and school districts are planning for how to safely teach students during the COVID-19 pandemic. No matter which plan is chosen by communities, this school year will be challenging. Dr. Nipunie Rajapakse, a pediatric infectious disease specialist at Mayo Clinic, discussed how students, teachers and staff can use public health measures already in place to minimize the risk of exposure to the virus and reduce community spread of COVID-19. Also, Dr. Amir Khan, a Mayo Clinic ophthalmologist, explained what causes eye floaters. And Dr. Pashtoon Kasi, a Mayo Clinic medical oncologist, explained changes in colorectal cancer screening guidelines to prevent the disease in younger adults.

Mayo Clinic Radio, weekend of 08/15-16**Date aired: __August 15__ Time Aired: __4p__****30:00**

Dr. Gregory Poland, an infectious diseases expert and head of Mayo Clinic's Vaccine Research Group, discussed viral shedding and why asymptomatic carriers of COVID-19 are a big concern. Also, Dr. Adam Perlman, director of Integrative Health and Wellness at Mayo Clinic in Florida, offered helpful strategies for managing daily stresses during COVID-19. One plan of action? Delegate, delete, and do.

Mayo Clinic Radio, weekend of 08/22-23**Date aired: __August 22__ Time Aired: __4pm__****30:00**

Until a vaccine is developed, public health measures are the best defense against SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19. These measures include masking, hand hygiene and physical distancing. "Strict adherence to those things is a very powerful antidote to this virus," says Dr. Gregory Poland, an infectious diseases expert and head of Mayo Clinic's Vaccine Research Group. On Mayo Clinic Radio, Dr. Poland discussed the latest news on COVID-19. Also, Dr. Craig Sawchuk, chair of the Division of Integrated Behavioral Health at Mayo Clinic, shared helpful tips and strategies to be resilient and handle the challenges of a school year during the COVID-19 pandemic. Next Dr. Stephen Kopecky, a Mayo Clinic cardiologist, will discuss how heart disease can be reversed. And Dr. Andre Terzic, director of Mayo Clinic's Center for Regenerative Medicine, will explain how regenerative medicine is helping patients.

Mayo Clinic Radio, weekend of 08/29-30**Date aired: __August 29__ Time Aired: __4pm__
30:00**

During the COVID-19 pandemic, new information about the disease is discovered on a weekly basis and it can be hard to keep up. On Mayo Clinic Radio, Dr. Gregory Poland, an infectious diseases expert and head of Mayo Clinic's Vaccine Research Group, answers listeners' questions on COVID-19. Also, Dr. Ayan Sen, chair of Critical Care Medicine at Mayo Clinic in Arizona, shared his experiences managing patients and supporting staff during the pandemic. Then, Dr. Matthew Robertson III, chair of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Mayo Clinic in Florida, explained hyperthermic intraperitoneal chemotherapy, which uses heated chemotherapy during surgery to treat ovarian cancer. And Dr. Christopher Boes, chair of Mayo Clinic's Division of Neurology Education, and Dr. Bruce Pollock, a Mayo Clinic neurologic surgeon, discussed diagnosing and treating the chronic pain condition known as trigeminal neuralgia.

Mayo Clinic Radio, weekend of 09/05-06**Date aired: __September 5__ Time Aired: __4pm__
30:00**

Dr. Brandon Verdoorn, a Mayo Clinic geriatrician, discussed pain management for older adults. Also, Dr. David Dodick, a Mayo Clinic neurologist, explained when it is safe to return to play after a concussion. Then, Dr. Miriam (Priya) Alexander, a Mayo Clinic pathologist, and statistician Dr. Byron Smith explain how Mayo Clinic researchers created a deep learning program to read kidney biopsies faster. And Dr. Anna Bartoo and Dr. Heidi Finnes, Mayo Clinic pharmacists, discussed the work done by research pharmacists to prepare medications for clinical trials.

Mayo Clinic Radio, weekend of 09/12-13**Date aired: __September 12__ Time Aired: __4pm__
30:00**

Cancer diagnoses have decreased since the COVID-19 pandemic began, according to a recent study in JAMA. Dr. Nabil Wasif, a Mayo Clinic surgical oncologist, said putting off routine screening tests means early cancers are not being detected. He said this suggests that patients will eventually show up but with more advanced cancer. Routine screenings are recommended for breast, cervical and colon cancer, as well as lung cancer if the patient is a smoker. Then, Dr. Deepi Goyal, a Mayo Clinic emergency physician and regional chair of practice for Southeastern Minnesota, was infected with COVID-19 after his daughter was exposed at work and brought the virus home. He shared his experience battling COVID-19 and offers tips for being prepared to quarantine at home when necessary. Also, Dr. Wasif, says patients are taking a risk by delaying screening. Then, Dr. Amanika Kumar, a Mayo Clinic gynecologic surgeon, explained how thorough assessment of a patient can help direct the treatment for ovarian cancer. And Dr. James Li, a Mayo Clinic allergist and immunologist, discussed adult asthma.

Mayo Clinic Radio, weekend of 09/19-20**Date aired: __September 19__ Time Aired: __4pm__
30:00**

Dr. Jennifer Martinez-Thompson, a Mayo Clinic neurologist, discusses diagnosis and treatment options for amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS). Also, Dr. Molly Jeffery and Dr. W. Michael Hooten share new Mayo Clinic research on trends in opioid use. Dr. Jeffery is the scientific director of Emergency Medicine Research at Mayo Clinic, and Dr. Hooten is a Mayo Clinic anesthesiologist and pain medicine specialist. And Dr. Paul Brown, a Mayo Clinic radiation oncologist, explains a new radiotherapy approach aimed at preserving cognitive function for some brain tumor patients.

Mayo Clinic Radio, weekend of 09/26-27

**Date aired: __September 26__ Time Aired: _4pm__
30:00**

Dr. Peter Rose, division chair of Orthopedic Oncology at Mayo Clinic, discussed tumors of the musculoskeletal system. Also, Dr. Leo Maguire, a Mayo Clinic ophthalmologist, explained how laser-assisted in situ keratomileusis (LASIK) eye surgery can correct common vision problems. And Dr. Erica Loomis, a Mayo Clinic trauma and critical care specialist, discussed treatment for appendicitis.

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