



October 2020



DEAN'S OFFICE



ANNUAL ETHICS TRAINING: October 1-30, 2020

This training is an annual requirement, based on the Illinois State Officials and Employees Ethics Act, and the standards set by the Office of Executive Inspector General for the Agencies of the Illinois Governor. Employees required to complete the training receive an email with the link and login instructions.

Online announcement of the training: <https://emails.illinois.edu/newsletter/204772352.html>



November 1, 2020 is the day to



LIBRARY OF THE HEALTH SCIENCES

Greetings, ghouls and gals!
Park your broomsticks and grab a brew.
Here are few books and movies to raise the spirits.

Halloween: From Pagan Ritual to Party Night by Nicolas Roger.
(https://i-share-uic.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/permalink/01CARLI_UIC/vq50bm/alma99494781708505897)

Blood Thirst: 100 Years of Vampire Fiction by Leonard Wolf.
(https://i-share-uic.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/permalink/01CARLI_UIC/1k7iidj/alma99494775487105897)

Haunted: On Ghosts, Witches, Vampires, Zombies, and Other Monsters of the Natural and Supernatural Worlds by Leo Braudy.
(https://i-share-uic.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/permalink/01CARLI_UIC/vq50bm/alma99424156612005897)

Twenty-Five Ghost Stories by W. Bob Holland.
(https://i-share-uic.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/permalink/01CARLI_UIC/vq50bm/alma99494857302705897)



The Blob directed by Irvin Yeaworth.
(<https://uic.kanopy.com/video/blob>)

Night of the Living Dead directed by George A. Romero.
(<https://uic.kanopy.com/video/night-living-dead-1>)

I Married a Witch directed by Rene Clair.
(<https://uic.kanopy.com/video/i-married-witch>)



HUMAN RESOURCES

Please welcome new employees....



Nikkia Williams
Medical Office Associate
PHS

Sarah Borop
Medical Social Assistant
PHS



Bruce Broughton
Medical Social Associate
PHS

Gina Richardson
Medical Social Associate
PHS



Ginger Gray
Business Administrative
Associate

Reminder to Benefit-Eligible Employees

The EAP administrator, Magellan, has launched a new website with many new features for Members to take advantage with useful intuitive apps to use daily as well as discounts for everyday purchases. Please be sure to check out the wonderful benefits offered by Magellan.

Introducing [MagellanAscend.com](https://www.magellanascend.com) (select State of Illinois Employee Assistance Plan (EAP) for the company name when creating the login)

Once you login, you can click in the Explore section to select Discount Center. In this section (LifeMart Discounts), you will find a variety of icons to click for discounts or scroll to the bottom for a longer list of categories, including travel, wellness for gym memberships, and much more!

EAP services include:

- **Counseling** – three (3) counseling sessions at no cost to help with stress, anxiety, grief, relationship concerns and more
- **Coaching** – Achieve your goals using coaches to help you stay on track
- **Online programs** – Use self-guided, interactive apps for depression, chronic pain and more
- **Work-Life web services** – Find resources for child care, elder care, discounts and more
- **Clickotine Smoking Cessation** – interactive app to help you quit smoking
- **Legal, Financial and ID Theft services** – Access to free consultations and resources
- **Member website** – Get more information on all the services available
 - Use the Provider Search to find care in your area
 - See the latest news on trending topics like building resiliency, or managing finances
 - Explore the LifeMart Discount Center
 - Browse the Learning Center to find articles, webinar recordings, videos and self-assessments on a wide range of topics including anxiety, child care, depression, elder care, parenting, relationships, stress management, substance misuse, work-life balance, and so much more.

Magellan offers a variety of free resources to help you and your household members with everything from checking off daily tasks to managing complex issues. All services are completely confidential.

FLU SHOTS



MORE ABOUT INFLUENZA (CDC Resources): <https://www.cdc.gov/flu/prevent/vaccinations.htm>

Influenza is a serious disease that can lead to hospitalization and in some cases even death. Seemingly healthy people can become very sick from the flu and spread it to others. An annual seasonal flu vaccine is one of the best ways to reduce your chances of becoming infected. Vaccinating those in health care settings protects employees, their families and vulnerable patient. To protect our employees and the ability serve our patients, our goal is 100% immunization. **Please watch for emails regarding the flu shot clinic dates this month**, for benefit eligible employees enrolled in a state (CMS) health plan. (*non-benefit eligible employees are not eligible for these state-paid vaccines; and those who opted out are not eligible*).

STAFF APPRECIATION



Thank you all for your continued service and dedication! It was wonderful to spend the evening at the Virtual Ceremony on September 10, recognizing those with their years of service.

3 Years

Brandon Beekman
Heather Boore
Lauri Davis
April Day
Dennis Driscoll
Diana Farrar
Ashley Johnson
Tammy Livingston
Drew McDowell
Joby Parrott
Christie Perry
Tiara Thomas
Tammy Pilman
Rhonda Weynand
Maureen Wolfe

7 Years

Wendy Bucklin
Joellyn Doty
Erica Duffy
Dave Haney
Amanda Hicks
Lynne Manley
Chris Menke
Jeanne Reddy
Stephanie Sampson
Jennifer Young

9 Years

Joe Newcomb
Haily Rhoades
Trisha Thurman
Kimmi Walker
Shari Wynn

11 Years

Kim Alexander
Nancy Caho
Craig Edwards
Kim Garcia
Kelli Rude
Deanna Silotto
Kim Williams

13 Years

Lesa Armstrong
Misha Bales
Amanda Franklin
Nan Hines
Stephanie Hornbuckle
Ron Sheaffer
Loni Wenzel
Lois Wood

17 Years

Karen Luna
Lisa Roeder
Thomas Ryan
Bonnie Willis

19 Years

Rose Ingolia
Cheri Mahony
Barb Staggs
Carla Stokes

21 Years

Lisa Collins
Kim Deets
Chris Johnson
Pam Williams

23 Years

Kristy Bushart
Kimberly Evans

Special Recognition Awards

5 Years

Kris Barr
Valerie Bricka
Christina Constantinidou
Christine Luebbers
Teresa Barr
Sandi Blasingim
Stephanie Hull
Christina Lowrance
Scotti Nieu Kirk
Kristine Papis
Samantha Robbins
Cindy Skender
Jana Winkler

10 Years

Tammi Miller
Carole Siefken

15 Years

Shelley Atkinson
Sindy Hornibrook
Marie Smith

20 Years

Lorraine Deluhery
Beth LaFollett

25 Years

Penny Halverson
Chris Wadle
Lois Whitby

30 Years

Mary Jean Dzurisin

Academic Professional Service Awards

3 years

DeeDee Simmons

7 years

Leslie Hammersmith

9 years

Jennifer Burton

17 years

Pam Briggs
Beth Wallace

Special Recognition Awards

5 years

Jerusha Boyineni

25 years

Stephanie Johnson



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STAFF APPRECIATION AWARDS

CSEC Class of 2020-2021

Tilyne Bennett
Shannon Doerr
Mary Durdel
Kira Healey
Stephanie Hull
Ashley Johnson
Lauren Keeton
Chris McGregor
Chris Menke
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How wonderful it was to celebrate with those who had time to 'ZOOM IN' for the CSEC Virtual Awards Ceremony on September 10! And for those who could not join, we missed you. We celebrate each of you and appreciate each of you for your dedication and service.

We had a few hiccups with the technology; thank you everyone for your patience and understanding. A BIG thank you to Leslie Hammersmith for stepping -in to keep us all virtually connected. We had more laughs than hiccups (and so much fun with the trivia). 😊 **Thank you to Dr. Aiyer for your leadership and inspiration**, as we all work together to accomplish our mission to "Lead Collaboration to Improve Health". COVID may have cancelled many things, but it can't cancel our teamwork.

Congratulations to the award recipients and nominees! Thank you for your outstanding contributions, for using your light to exemplify excellence to fulfill the UICOMP mission. **You ALL shine!**

Distinguished Staff Recipient: Kim Deets, nominated by Susan Grebner

Dean's Staff Award Recipients: Janelle Mounce, nominated by Dr. Lynch; and Christie Perry nominated by Kathy Slater

Team Award Recipients: Team PHS (Positive Health Solutions), nominated by Lisa Roeder: Beth Clayton, Megan Hobson, Joe Naidnur, Nicolette Lovingood, Anne McDowell, Kimberly Rodgers and Tracey Vogelsang

Additional Team Nominees:

Team Dean's Office nominated by Laureen Perkins: Kristy Bushart, Meghann McKown, Adam Yerian

Team Peds Supervisors, nominated by Jenny Johannes: Kim Alexander, Janet Dickson, Cheryl Perry and Elizabeth Majjaty

Additional DISTINGUISHED & DEAN'S STAFF Nominees:

Mary Durdel, nominated by Dr. Wynn; Cheri Mahony, nominated by Dr. de Alarcon; Kim Montgomery, nominated by Dr. Kandikattu; Stephanie Sampson, nominated by Angela Daniels; Adam Yerian, nominated by Dr. Clore



The Rose Award recognizes individuals who continually brighten our day, have a positive attitude and show courage in the midst of adversity. Congratulations...thank you for brightening our day!

Rose Award Recipient: Joellyn Doty, nominated by Jolene Harris

Additional Rose Award nominees:

- Bruce Broughton, nominated by Kira Healey
- Christina Constantinidou, nominated by Dr. Zakharian and a nomination by Dr. Soares
- Lorraine Deluhery, nominated by Kathy Slater
- Laureen Perkins, nominated by Lynne Keeton
- Stephanie Sampson, nominated by Angela Daniels
- Christy Vincent, nominated by Dr. Kandikattu



Class Act Nomination

We would like to recognize a class act UICOMP employee who has gone above and beyond – **Ben Lebron, Communication & Information Services Offsite IT Tech**. Ben is a fantastic worker and responds quickly to our IT needs. He is always very pleasant and works to ensure that our IT issues are addressed completely. He is receptive to our many innovative projects and does not hesitate to work with us until we are satisfied with the outcome. He works tirelessly to accommodate our every question and IT needs! His efforts improved our transition to our new location at 1800 N. Knoxville Avenue and got us working quickly!

Thank you, Ben, for all that you do for us and the University!

The Staff of the Pediatric Resource Center

A kind, encouraging word goes a long way. Your CSEC is all about supporting the people we work with. Has a special co-worker helped with a project or done something special that made your day? Let them know! Nominate your “Class Act” and recognize their contribution with a statement of appreciation by sending it to Stephanie slhull@uic.edu for publication in this newsletter. Your co-worker will also receive a certificate sent on your behalf.

Community Chest

The **Community Chest** is a fund that supports civil service staff members facing any kind of hardship. You may nominate yourself or a co-worker by sending a confidential email request to Ashley Loving csec@uic.edu. If we can help pay your electric bill or buy the tire that blew because all your money has gone to medical bills, for example, then the fund can assist.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS



Chris Buck
Jenny Doerr
Stacy Boyd
Kira Healey
Peter Hanley
Matt Ross
Aimee Oliver
Valerie Lynn

Debra Wolf
Emily Rotherham
Lisa Roeder
Rhonda Weynand
Stephanie Mahony
Anthony Dwyer
Jolene Harris

Dana Stephens
Kris Barr
Nick Dennis
Meenakshy Aiyer
Brandon Beekman
Erika Sung
Amanda Hicks

Ashley O’Neill
Stephanie Johnson
Jenny Johannes
Misha Bales
Donna Welty
Kerrie Wright
Nan Hines

If your birthday is not listed and you wish to have it added, please contact Shannon at sdoerr@uic.edu. A detailed birthday list may be found on the “PUBLIC” drive in the Focus Newsletter Folder, as well as past issues of the Focus in the “Focus Newsletter Folder.”



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