

Office of the Chair - Week of May 18 - 22, 2009

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## **Newsletter**

### Meetings

Tuesday	05/19/09	12:00 noon	Outpatient Clinic Committee Meeting
Thursday	05/21/09	8:00 a.m.	Call Center Meeting <u>Resident Lectures:</u> No Resident Lectures due to APA
Friday	05/22/09		<u>Medical Student Lectures:</u> 8:00 a.m. NBME Progress Test 1:30 p.m. "Low Back Pain" Dr. Stanley Krolczyk 2:30 p.m. "Ataxia" Dr. Stanley Krolczyk 3:30 p.m. "Neurology Review" Dr. Rossitza Chichkova

## **In The Know!**

*Happy Birthday Wishes* to Dr. Humberto Nagera/May 23<sup>rd</sup>.

*Congratulations* to Dr. Jun Tan who has been awarded a grant from the James A. Haley Veterans Administration Medical Center titled "Statin Modulation of Immunotherapy for Alzheimer's Disease."

The Carter-Jenkins Center is presenting:

- Tuesday, May 19<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.: Trauma Psiquico – Enfoque Psicoanalitico (Part I) por la Licenciada Estela Bichi, Psicoanalista Docente y Miembro de la Asociacion Psicoanalitica Argentina y la Asociacion Internacional de Psicoanalisis.
- Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup> from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.: Trauma Psiquico – Enfoque Psicoanalitico (Part II) por la Licenciada Estela Bichi, Psicoanalista Docente y Miembro de la Asociacion Psicoanalitica Argentina y la Asociacion Internacional de Psicoanalisis.

The Gulfcoast North AHEC is holding a day-long conference on July 24, 2009 called *"PAINTING A MOVING TRAIN" Working with Veterans of Iraq and Afghanistan and Their Families*. The focus of the conference is PTSD and TBI as well as learning about the "culture" of the military. Harold Kudler, M.D. and Erin Simmons, Ph.D. will be speaking. Unlike other conflicts in the past, the majority of returning service members from Iraq and Afghanistan are not being seen by the VA; most are being seen by community providers who may not be as well versed in PTSD and TBI. This program is designed for mental health professionals, including psychologists, social workers, counselors, marriage and family therapists, pastoral counselors, substance abuse counselors, psychiatric nurses and others who are now or who may be interested in working with veterans of Iraq and Afghanistan and/or their families. For more information, visit [www.gnahec.org](http://www.gnahec.org).

## Research Happenings!

CONNECT Study, Carlos Santana, M.D. (Principal Investigator) – USF Department of Psychiatry is participating in a nationwide clinical research study being conducted to examine the efficacy and safety of oral doses of an investigational product, AVE 1625 (a CB1 antagonist), as an add on treatment in patients with an established treatment regimen of either olanzapine, risperidone/paliperidone, quetiapine, or aripiprazole monotherapy in the treatment of [Cognitive Impairment in Schizophrenia](#). For more information, call Melissa Vila, LPN, at 974-2441; or to make a referral, call 974-1404.

GSK Bipolar Kids Study, Saundra Stock, M.D. (principal investigator) – The USF Department of Psychiatry Silver Child Development Center is participating in a nationwide clinical research study being conducted to evaluate LAMICTAL as an Add-on treatment for [Bipolar I Disorder in Children and Adolescents](#), ages 10-17. For more information, call Colleen Killian, BA at 974-9104; or to make a referral, call 974-1404.

Excellent Study Opportunity!!! [Schizophrenia](#) IM Depot Abilify Study, The USF Department of Psychiatry is participating in a nationwide clinical research trial evaluating the efficacy, safety, and tolerability of Aripiprazole IM Depot as Maintenance Treatment in patients with [Schizophrenia](#). For more information, call Colleen Killian, BA at 974-9104; or to make a referral, call 974-1404.

USF Psychiatry is participating in a nationwide clinical research study for children and adolescents diagnosed with [Tourette's Disorder](#). The study is being conducted on behalf of Boehringer-Ingelheim and seeks to evaluate the safety and efficacy of an investigational medication versus placebo for 6 weeks followed by an open-label follow-up study for participants aged 6-17 inclusive. For more information, call Colleen Killian, BA, at 974-9104. To make a referral, call 974-1404.

Lundbeck Study, Carlos Santana, M.D. (principal investigator) – USF Psychiatry Department is participating in a nationwide clinical research study being conducted to examine the neurocognitive effect of sertindole versus quetiapine in patients with [Schizophrenia](#), taking a stable dose of antipsychotic for the last 4 weeks and their physician is considering a change in medications due to suboptimal response or side effect of their current antipsychotic. For more information, call Colleen Killian, BA at 974-9104; or to make a referral, call 974-1404.