St. Baldrick’s Foundation Infrastructure Grant

Born out of a desire to give back from their good fortune, three businessmen decided to raise money for kids with cancer by shaving their hair. Officially founded in 2004, the St. Baldrick’s foundation focuses on research for childhood cancer. The Foundation provides hospitals with financial support to open clinical trials for rare diseases, funds researchers and their training, as well as financing supportive care research. Bon Secours St. Francis' AYA program was recently awarded a grant from the St. Baldrick’s Foundation. This is a one year grant awarded to institutions to help give hope to children with cancer by allowing researchers to open and treat more children through clinical trials.

To read more about the St. Baldrick’s Foundation Grant awarded to Bon Secours Click Here
Kamara Mertz-Rivera, Drs. Bearden, Curtis, Kilburn, and Siegel were featured in HealthLink Magazine. This article gives a glimpse into what Upstate Carolina hopes to achieve in our community. The award to finance the NCORP allows clinical trials to come to the patient instead of the patient traveling to the clinical trial. Kamara stated, "Upstate Carolina NCORP will cover all cancer types and connect patients in the Upstate to the most up-to-date clinical trials in a local setting so they can stay in their own communities for treatment". Dr. Bearden emphasized the importance of patients receiving treatment close to home because, "At home, patients have the spiritual, family and community support of their hometown".

To read the full article click [here](#).
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LaToya has been a rockstar this quarter! Since the inception of UC NCORP, LaToya has not only enrolled 4 participants to Wake Forest’s CCDR protocol, Telehealth, she has also enrolled 2 women to the Remember breast cancer study and an amazing 13 men to Wake Forest’s Prostate Cancer Working Man’s Study (PCW). She actually leads the nation in PCW enrollments and has been asked to speak about her accrual techniques! She is a one-woman dynamo and we are so proud of her!

Q.A. with Kelsey

Upcoming Audits

SWOG LungMAP
January 22nd – 23rd (AnMed and SMC)

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