



DATE: 6-21-2021

TO: ALL DOCTORS & STAFF

FROM: Gregory S. Carastro, LVT, Hospital Administrator

RE: Lead Emergency Clinician & Hospitalist

We are pleased to announce the addition of another tier to our management team. In response to the continued rise in emergency & hospitalized patient caseload, it has necessitated the assignment of a Lead Emergency Clinician & Hospitalist Position. We are happy to announce the promotion of our own tenured ER Clinician, **Dr. Dani Wharton**. This position will help add additional structure and support to our growing Emergency Department.

Dr. Wharton has an extensive set of skills and experiences that she brings to this position. Dani completed her small animal rotating internship in 2012 here at the VMCLI and has remained on since her graduation as an emergency clinician. Throughout her tenure, Dani has been instrumental in the advancement of the emergency service and policy innovation, enforcement, and training. She frequently takes the lead on all emergency clinician communication regarding policy reminders and updates with the emergency service. Dr. Wharton is accomplished in all facets of Emergency Medicine and is a highly skilled clinician. She will be a welcomed addition and a tremendous asset to our Leadership Team.

The Lead Emergency Clinician & Hospitalist will be responsible for aiding in the coordination, training, and supervision of the Emergency Department. She is charged with promoting greater efficiency and quality of care for our patients and emergency services alike. Additionally, she will aid in, education, personnel enrichment, and medical standardization among the ER Clinicians and Interns, in accordance with the hospitals mission, vision and values. As part of the leadership team, Dani will work closely with the Emergency Service Supervisor, Department Leads and report directly to the Hospital Administrator & the Chief of Staff.

We are very excited to be making this announcement and have complete confidence in Dr. Wharton's abilities to uphold the responsibilities this position entails.

Sincerely,

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Hospital Administrator & Director of Human Resources