



# Patient Financial Services News

## What's Happening?



January 1<sup>st</sup>

**Martin Luther King Jr. Day**  
January 21st



## New PFS Staff

Courtney McNeil - Comm Dept.  
JoAnn Peyton - Self Pay Dept.  
Becky Walter - BX Dept.  
Asha Smith - BX Dept.  
Anna Siuman Cheng – CAP Dept.  
Nicole Keith - HMO Dept.  
Lisa Kortum - HMO Dept.  
Debra Sigmon - HMO Dept.

## Catch A Shining Star

December's Shining Stars

Twan Towah  
Dianna Monroe  
Carolyn Williams  
Marlesa Goldberg  
Arisha Richardson  
Christopher Samuels

## January's Shining Stars

Christopher Samuels  
Edwin Rosenberg  
Marlesa Goldberg  
Felicia Lawrance  
Carolyn Williams  
Chanelle Rogers  
Helen Edwards  
Warren Barnes  
Maleka KaKa  
Jeanne Steps  
Julius Brown

The nomination form is located at:

<http://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/service/recognition/nominationform.html>

## News to Know

### Tip of the Month - "Passwords"

Need a simple way to keep your many passwords active? At least once a month, or more often, log onto the applications you use infrequently. For instance, if you work daily on Keane and Meditech Client Server but also have a password for Meditech Magic; make calendar note to "once a month" log onto that application.

Maintaining access privileges will prevent interrupting daily activities to contact the Help Desk or PFS Training to re-activate your password.

A calendar note, Groupwise or desk, is a "good tool for good time management."

## Staff News



Congratulations to Amanda Blose who has been named team leader of the HMO Department. We would like to wish her all the best in her new position.

Congratulations to Joyce Redd who has been named team leader of the Self Pay Department. Joyce brings to her new position 21 years of experience here at Hopkins. We would like to wish her all the best in her new position.

Congratulations to Katina Heinlein in the MCO Department. She has obtained her CPC Certification.

Congratulations to Sharon Guthrie who was promoted as Manager of Customer Service effective December 23rd

Toni Jackson, Manager of UHC Team, received her MBA Degree from the University of Baltimore/Towson University with a concentration in Healthcare Management and graduated on December 16th



Congratulations to Mae Diggs of Customer Service for the arrival of her grandson Nigel Jackie Jackson. Born on 12/14/07 at 7:00PM. He weighed a whopping 10 lbs 3.5 oz.

## Volunteers Needed

The recreation committee is seeking new membership for the next year. Are you creative, and have some ideas for PFS events?

Willing to put in some time to make the PFS events fun and successful?

Contact Marty Swank either by e-mail or stop by and discuss your interest in joining the team.

January Birthdays

Tamara Harrington	1/1
Shirley Means	1/6
Kathy Thuerrauch	1/6
Laverne English	1/8
Cleoptra Mobley	1/9
Charlotte Keane-Blue	1/9
Patrick Applegate	1/11
Joann Sherrod-Stewart	1/13
Kim Smith	1/15
Glenda Matthews	1/16
Beverly Barnes	1/16
Paula Polek	1/17
Karen Lombardi	1/17
Mary Bergin	1/20
Kelli Smith	1/22
Janice Lyons	1/23
Kathy Pulliam	1/23
Felecia Moore	1/23
Donna Steitz	1/24
Nicole Owens	1/24
Stephanie Germano	1/25
Tracey Cyr	1/26
Marlesa Goldberg	1/26
Valerie Faulkner	1/27
Kelvin Paige	1/27
Donna Henson	1/30

2008 Holiday Schedule for JHHSC/JHH Employees

Holiday	Date Observed	Day of the Week
New Year's Day	January 1, 2008	Tuesday
Martin L. King, Jr. Day	January 21, 2008	Monday
Memorial Day (observed)	May 26, 2008	Monday
Independence Day	July 4, 2008	Friday
Labor Day	September 1, 2008	Monday
Thanksgiving Day	November 27, 2008	Thursday
Christmas	December 25 2008	Thursday
New Year's Day	January 1, 2009	Thursday

Medicare News

2008 MEDICARE DEDUCTIBLES AND COINSURANCE

PART A HOSPITAL (INPATIENT)	CALCULATION PER BENEFIT PERIOD	CY 2008 BENEFIT PERIOD
Part A Deductible (1 through 60 days)	Current year inpatient deductible	\$1024.00 per spell of illness
Part A Coinsurance (61 through 90 days)	Rate is ¼ of current year inpatient deductible amount	\$256.00 per day
Part A Lifetime Reserve (91 through 150 days)	Rate is ½ of the current year inpatient deductible amount	\$512.00 per day
SKILLED NURSING FACILITY (SNF)	CALCULATION PER BENEFIT PERIOD	CY 2008 BENEFIT PERIOD
SNF (1 through 20 days)	No deductible or coinsurance (full days)	\$0.00 per benefit period
SNF (21 through 100 days)	Rate is 1/8 of current year inpatient deductible amount	\$128.00 per day
PART B (OUTPATIENT)	ANNUAL REQUIREMENT	CY 2008
Part B Annual Deductible	Satisfied via part B Outpatient and/or Physician/Supplier Services	\$135.00 per year

Quote of the month

Whatever your life's work is, do it well. A man should do his job so well that the living, the dead, and the unborn could do it no better.

Martin Luther King, Jr.



PFS Website Information

The web address is: <http://finance.jhmi.edu/FinancePFS/pfsMain.html>, you can find the following information.

- ~ Mission
- ~ Training and Development
- ~ Policies and Procedures
- ~ Department Phone Listing
- ~ Newsletters
- ~ Link to other JHHS sites

Got News?

If you would like to contribute news or information send it to Pat Degenkolb @ [pstokes@jhmi.edu](mailto:pstokes@jhmi.edu). The deadline is the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month proceeding the publication month. Submissions may be edited due to space limitations.

