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Dear Colleagues,

We continue to make steady progress with our relocation efforts and I'm pleased to announce several developments.

Rusk at MSI

As you know, MSI is scheduled to open in November 2011. Dr. Alex Moroz and our new faculty member, Dr. Wayne Stokes, will move their outpatient practices to MSI at that time. Dr. Moroz will offer his unique blend of traditional physical medicine and rehabilitation approaches with acupuncture for musculoskeletal conditions. Dr. Stokes, who recently joined our faculty in January, is a musculoskeletal, interventional and sports medicine expert who has been working closely with our orthopedic, rheumatology and anesthesiology colleagues in developing comprehensive services at MSI while enhancing our residency training program.

Rusk at HJD

When inpatient services move from 400 E. 34th Street to 17th Street, the following transitions will occur:

- Drs. Jung Ahn, Ira Rashbaum, Michal Eisenberg, Alan David, and Jaime Levine will attend predominantly to neurologically disabled inpatients at HJD
- Drs. Sue Qu, and Joyce Pines will attend to inpatients with orthopedic impairments.
- Dr. Arthur Jimenez will continue to provide consultations to patients on the HJD medicine/surgical services.
- Drs. Joan Gold and Renat Suhkov will attend to pediatric inpatients at HJD where their outpatient practices will also be located.

Rusk at Tisch Hospital

- Dr. Jonathan Whiteson will continue to direct the cardiac rehabilitation program and attend to patients on HCC 9.
- Dr. Jeffrey Cohen will attend to other medically complex patients on HCC 9.
- All rehabilitation physicians will remain available to provide consultations at Tisch Hospital

Rusk Outpatient and Subacute Outreach

- Dr. Jeffrey Heckman will continue to grow his outpatient practice specializing in limb loss, prosthetics and orthotics while Dr. Jaclyn Bonder will expand her outpatient services devoted to women's health.
- Dr. Heckman along with Drs. Amit Bansal, Angela Liu and Jaime Levine will continue to expand Rusk's reach by providing rehabilitation consultations at several strategically located subacute programs as well grow their outpatient practices along with Dr. Valery Lanyi. .

Staffing

In addition to these important developments, we continue to work with our site leaders to

develop the table of organizations and staffing at all four sites. This very large and comprehensive effort is steadily moving forward and we anticipate announcing the final table of organization, along with the managers and supervisors who will oversee the professional therapy staff for all sites, by mid-March. Site leaders and clinical leadership will then work together to determine staffing at each site over the subsequent 8-10 weeks. They will work with you to ensure staffing is accurately assigned as we are all committed to ensuring excellence wherever Rusk provides services.

Communication

I look forward to keeping you informed as we continue to make progress in realizing a new and exciting vision for Rusk. The frequency of announcements will be dictated by the speed of our progress, realizing that they will be made more or less frequently and therefore may not occur weekly. However, if important developments arise in any one particular week, you will be notified by Wednesday morning. Although our initial intent was to broadcast announcements on Tuesday mornings, postponing them by one day will permit greater time to collect and process information as well as new developments occurring earlier in the week, ultimately enabling us to provide them to you on a timelier and more meaningful basis.

In closing, I hope that you all received a copy of last week's News and Views. Rusk is the lead story, entitled "Rusk Extends Its Reach". It begins with a terrific description of our new motor recovery lab led by Dr. Preeti Raghavan and our reemergence into the realm of cutting edge research. The back cover feature many pictures of our staff and patients, demonstrating your caring and personal touch. Equally importantly, the piece underscores our vision of advancing Rusk Rehabilitation to more effectively meet the needs of our patients, wherever and whenever they require it, as we lead the way for physical medicine and rehabilitation. Once again, it reminds me of the immense pride I have in your outstanding skills and dedication to helping others with disability.

Steve Flanagan