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### PATRICK KENNEY NAMED INTERIM DEPARTMENT CHAIR



With the departure of **Peter G. Schulam, MD, PhD** to assume a new position with Johnson & Johnson, **Patrick A. Kenney, MD**, has been named Interim Chair by Dean Nancy J. Brown, MD, effective July 15, 2020.

Dr. Kenney joined Yale in 2013 as Assistant Professor of Urology, arriving from MD Anderson Cancer Center where he completed a Fellowship in Urologic Oncology. He received his MD from Columbia University and completed his surgical internship and urology residency at Lahey Clinic. In addition to serving as the Medical Director of Supply Chain for Yale New Haven Health, Dr. Kenney was the Vice Chair of Clinical Affairs for the Department of Urology and Vice Chair of Quality & Safety.

“Peter has very ably served the Department of Urology, the School, and Yale New Haven Health. With Peter’s leadership, the Department has grown in size, stature, and innovation. Peter has helped build a fantastic team that I’m confident will continue to perform at a very high level. I’ve had the good fortune of working

closely with Peter and am happy to lead the department while a search is underway for the next Chair. This will be a very smooth transition during which we will continue our tripartite mission of outstanding clinical care, advanced research, and world-class education. Our future is incredibly bright.”

### SEARCH COMMITTEE FOR UROLOGY CHAIR ANNOUNCED

In conjunction with the announcement of Dr. Peter Schulam's departure, Dean Nancy J. Brown, MD, also presented the committee members that will be leading the search for the new Chair of Urology.

Chaired by Hugh Taylor, MD, Anita O’Keeffe Young Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences, the search committee is comprised of the following individuals:

- Adebowale Adeniran, MD, Professor of Pathology
- Thomas Balcezak, MD, Executive Vice President and Chief Clinical Officer, Yale New Haven Health (ex officio)
- Michael Caplan, PhD, MD, Chair and C.N.H. Long Professor of Cellular and Molecular Physiology
- Keith Churchwell, MD, Executive Vice President and COO, YNHH

- Gary Desir, MD, Vice Provost for Faculty Development and Diversity and Chair, Department of Internal Medicine
- Clare Flannery, MD, Associate Professor of Medicine (Endocrinology)
- Peter Glazer, MD, PhD, Chair and Robert E. Hunter Professor of Therapeutic Radiology
- Peter Humphrey, MD, PhD, Professor of Pathology
- Harriet Kluger, MD, Professor of Medicine (Medical Oncology)
- Lisa Lattanza, MD, Chair, Department of Orthopaedics and Rehabilitation
- Lori Pickens, Senior Vice President and Executive Director of Smilow Cancer Hospital
- Zhaoxia Sun, PhD, Associate Professor of Genetics

If you have a nomination(s) to share with the search committee, please use the form [linked here](#) to submit your nominee(s).

## STAN HONIG TO CHAIR COMMITTEE AT UROLOGY CARE FOUNDATION



Congratulations to **Stan Honig, MD**, who is Chair for the Reproductive & Sexual Health Committee with the Urology Care Foundation.

Dr. Honig and the committee will be working on the following topics for the coming year: Guidelines for Disorders of Ejaculation, Male Infertility, and potentially Vasectomy & Peyronie's Disease. They are also reviewing content on Testosterone Therapy and Fertility Preservation, as well as launching a new podcast on Penile Implants.

## TOWN HALL LISTENING SESSION ON RACISM

Darin Latimore, MD, Deputy Dean and Chief Diversity Officer, Yale School of Medicine, and Katherine Tucker, DNP, RN, APRN-BC, NE-BC, Clinical Program Director, Heart and Vascular Center, Yale New Haven Hospital, led a listening session on racism and violence for Yale Urology on July 10.



The session prompted important and frank discussions within the department and allowed for an opening sharing of personal experiences. If you would like to continue the discussions or follow-up with Dr. Latimore, he can be reached via email [here](#).

## URINE QUALITY CARD AVAILABLE FOR TELEHEALTH APPOINTMENTS

With the shift in patient appointments to Telehealth, a descriptive urine card is now available to help patients accurately describe the quality of their urine.

The cards are available in hard copy as well as digitally in Epic. Please contact [Diana Glassman](#) or [Eliza Folsom](#) if you are interested in obtaining copies of the card for your clinic, or would like to learn more.

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## NEWS, NOTES, AND EVENTS

**Soum Lokeshwar, MD, PGY-1**, presented at the American Urological Association (AUA) 2020 Virtual Experience. He shared the results of a study on the decrease in testosterone levels among young US men, which was completed while he was a medical student at the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine. You can read more on the study [here](#).

**Preston Sprenkle, MD**, provided live feedback and commentary during a pre-recorded surgery broadcast of a SpaceOAR procedure, July 30 on the Advances In Surgery (AIS) channel: [www.aischannel.com](http://www.aischannel.com). The archived video can be viewed [here](#).

Congratulations to **John Libertino, MD**, for his election to the Emerson Hospital Board of Directors. Dr. Libertino, is a former urology resident, and also completed his fellowship in surgery at Yale New Haven Hospital. Dr. Libertino is currently a urologist at Emerson Urology Associates, and joined Emerson Hospital in 2016 as Chair of Urology after holding senior positions at Lahey Hospital and Medical Center, including CEO and chairman, chairman of the division of surgery, vice chairman of the board of trustees, and director of the Sophia Gordon Cancer Center.

**Michael Whalen, MD**, Assistant Professor of Urology, Director of the Genitourinary Oncology Multi-Disciplinary Clinic, and Site Director of the National Cancer Institute Urologic Oncology Fellowship at George Washington University School of Medicine & Health Sciences, was selected as a Top Urologist of the Year for 2020 by the International Association of Top Professionals (IAOTP). Dr. Whalen is a former fellow in urologic oncology.

On Tuesday, August 4 from 7-8:00pm, **Yale Urology Residents** will be hosting a Virtual Open House on Zoom for medical students who are interested in learning more about Yale Urology and our residency program. A second Virtual Open House is also scheduled for Wednesday, August 12. If you would like to learn more, please contact [CC Hayden](#).

Do you have any news, publications, or photos to share for an upcoming issue?



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