ARRIVALS

Victor Mendez, IT tech support associate, OFD

DEPARTURES

Amie Lulinski, senior research specialist, DHD

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTES

The AHS Office of Research has arranged for a **hands-on training session exclusively for AHS researchers**: Wed., June 25, from 10 to 11:15 a.m. Location is Rm. B11 in AOB, 1737 W. Polk. The session will demonstrate how to use Pivot (formerly Community of Science) to find funding opportunities from government, foundations, corporations, professional associations and other sources. To learn more, including how to register, click [here](#).

Staff and faculty of the **AHS Office of Research have relocated** to the seventh floor of AHSB. They occupy the offices north of and across from the elevator bank (rooms 750-756), just as they did previously on the eighth floor.

On June 17, the University of Illinois Hospital and Health Sciences System will be filming its entry for the 2014 “**Pink Glove Dance Competition**.” **Everyone on campus is invited to participate** by wearing pink and stopping by the southeast corner of Taylor and Wood between 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. to sign a giant pink cube—and possibly take home a pink t-shirt (first come, first served). Video producers are most interested in having a crowd assembled for the “finale shot” beginning at 4 p.m. Get all the details on UI Health’s Pink Glove [website](#).

For some accredited programs, **we are required to publish** our accreditation status and the name, address and telephone number of the accrediting agency in all materials created to promote the program in question. This is true for the MS in OT, for instance. If other programs have a similar requirement, please inform Elizabeth Miller at your earliest convenience.

AHS IN THE NEWS

Clin. assoc. professor of DHD **Mary Kay Rizzolo** and Amie Lulinski, senior research specialist in developmental disabilities, were quoted in a May 23 [article](#) in the *Jacksonville Journal-Courier*, discussing the initial phase of their evaluation of the process used to close the Jacksonville Developmental Center. The state-operated residential institution for people with developmental disabilities closed in 2012.

UIC softball’s **Natalie Hernandez**, who graduated with a BS in kinesiology in May, earned a spot on the 2014 roster of the National Pro Fastpitch’s Chicago Bandits. Her success was reported by [UIC News](#) on June 3.

FACULTY AND STAFF NEWS


Assoc. professor of kinesiology David Marquez—who this month delivered the invited lecture, “Physical activity promotion among Latinos: Cultural and environmental factors” at the Population Health and Behavior Outcomes Program of the University of Illinois Cancer Center”—has been named a fellow of the Gerontological Society of America. Fellowship is GSA’s highest class of membership, “acknowledging outstanding and continuing work in the field of gerontology,” says the society’s website.

Catherine Killian, academic fieldwork coordinator and clin. instructor in OT, has been appointed to a three-year term with the American Occupational Therapy Association’s Administration and Management Special Interest Group as the professional development coordinator for education/research. The AMSIS strives to increase knowledge and collaboration in the areas of management and supervision, staff development, training, and retention, accreditation requirements and trends in billing and reimbursement.

On June 2, the paper, “The Transition to ICD-10-CM: Challenges for Pediatric Practice,” co-authored by HI asst. professor Andy Boyd, was published online before print in Pediatrics. That engendered a flurry of interest around the article. The paper was accompanied by a commentary written by two authors from the Pediatric Research Consortium at The Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia. It was also called out in the daily AAP SmartBrief, a summary of the day’s important news for pediatricians, and was the subject of a blog post by Pediatrics editor-in-chief Louis First, MD, who called the study a “must-read.” Furthermore, the paper’s publication was covered by Modern Healthcare, Healthcare Informatics, EHRIntelligence, Medical News Today and many other industry news outlets.

Amie Lulinski successfully defended her dissertation on April 16 and, on May 29, received the 2014 Ann & Edward Page-EI, MD, Scholarship Award for her research project: “Exploring community capacity to provide mental/behavioral supports to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.” She has since accepted the position of director for disability rights policy at The Arc of the U.S. in Washington, D.C. Her last day at UIC will be June 27.

STUDENT AND ALUMNI NEWS
Second year MS OT student Erin Buckley received the Mary Fiorentino Memorial Scholarship, a highly competitive $1,200 scholarship from the American Occupational Therapy Foundation. Erin completed a two-year placement with AmeriCorps prior to her matriculation.

Check out the impressive achievements of alumni of DHD’s doctoral program in disability studies:
- Jessica Kramer, PhD ’08, received an NIH grant for her research, “Developing a youth self-report version of the Pediatric Evaluation of Disability Inventory.” Now an asst. professor of occupational therapy at Boston University, Jessica will base the questionnaire on an existing assessment that is completed by parents or other professionals; her version will solicit responses from people age 8 to 21 who themselves have developmental disabilities.
• **Michael Gill**, PhD ’09, is co-editor of a new *book* entitled, *Disability, Human Rights and the Limits of Humanitarianism*. The book includes chapters by DHD assoc. professor Sarah Parker Harris, research asst. professor Randall Owen and alumna Eunjung Kim. Michael is now an asst. professor of gender, women’s and sexuality studies at Grinnell (Iowa) College.

• **Kate Caldwell**, PhD ’14, has been invited to be this month’s guest blogger for the Early Career Professionals blog of the Association of University Centers on Disability (AUCD). Her *post* title is, “Writing for publication (as a grad student).” Kate has published articles in peer-reviewed journals on the topics of employment, citizenship, qualitative methodology and sexuality.

Reminder:
Please submit all your events to webmaster Laura Bronkhorst for posting on the AHS Events page and/or departmental event feeds.