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Get on the HIPAA (Omni)bus



HHS's new Omnibus Rule added many changes to existing HIPAA regulations.

Have you done your HIPAA training yet? All Downstate employees must refresh their training to ensure compliance with new HIPAA regulations put into effect by the "Omnibus Rule" issued by the Department of Health and Human Services.

The Omnibus Rule – named for its sweeping scope – makes notable changes to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) of 1996. **Refresher training must be completed by September 23, 2013.**

You can access the HIPAA training module from Downstate's home page. If you haven't yet received your password, talk to your supervisor.

See the online version of *Downstate Times* for the Rule's key changes.

DOWNSTATE IN THE COMMUNITY

The Big Check-Up

On August 30, **Temitope José, MD**, assistant professor of pediatrics; **Ramon Gist, MD**, assistant professor of pediatrics, and **Leone Waltrous, MD**, clinical assistant professor of obstetrics and gynecology, were on hand at the Brooklyn Children's Museum, teaching kids and parents how to stay healthy at the museum's "Back to School Jam."

The patient consult was Stuffee, the museum's oversized human doll. We're not sure if Stuffee liked his check-up, but everyone in audience sure had fun.

Many thanks to **Debra Owens, MEd**, senior project analyst in the Office of Program Development, who arranged the event, and **Pearline Morgan, LPN**, Obstetrics and Gynecology, for helping to staff the information table.

(l to r): Dr. Leone Waltrous, Pearline Morgan, Debra Owens, and Dr. Ramon Gist – with Stuffee.



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The New York State Fair

Downstate joined dozens of other SUNY campuses in Syracuse at the New York State Fair. Many thanks to **Meg O'Sullivan**, assistant vice president for student life, and **John Zubrovich**, acting director for biomedical communications, for spreading the Downstate message upstate.



Downstate's exhibit allowed "future nurses and doctors" to pose for photos. The Fair's main attraction is its famous butter sculpture, otherwise known as a heart attack waiting to happen. Its 800 lbs of butter are enough to top 76,800 pancakes, butter 51,200 ears of corn, or make 57,600 butter cookies.

ROCK THE ROOF

40TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION AND FUNDRAISER

Child Life Program

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2013
6:00 PM TO 9:00 PM

Rooftop of the Hotel LeBleu
370 4th Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11215

\$100 per person, RSVP by October 1st

Make checks payable to HSCB Foundation
(write Child Life Fund in memo)
Mail to Lisa Smith, Box 49, or email Lisa
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