Blood Donating Campaign at AUBMC

Find the Hero in You...

Give blood, the perfect gift, and help a family member, friend or someone you have never met unwrap a lifetime of memories. Your lifesaving blood donations will help ensure that the blood supply will be there for all who need it; when they need it. This means that patients increasingly need more blood donors to donate to meet the increasing demands. With the advancements in health-care systems and improved medical attention, this need is increasingly being driven by sophisticated medical and surgical procedures such as cardiovascular and transplant surgery, trauma care, chronic diseases and therapy for cancer and blood disorders.

BE A HERO DONATE BLOOD TODAY

In addition, there are all the major surgeries that require blood and the transfusions that are prescribed for the treatment of complications during pregnancy and childbirth, the management of severe childhood anemia, trauma and congenital blood disorders. With blood in shortage in face of a growing need, more people must find the altruistic spark in them to come forward and give blood voluntarily and regularly.

Facts about the blood donation process

- Donating blood is a safe process. A sterile needle is used only once for each donor and then discarded.
- Blood donation is a simple four-step process: registration, medical history and mini physical, donation and refreshments.
- Every blood donor is given a mini-physical, checking the donor's temperature, blood pressure, pulse and hemoglobin to ensure it is safe for the donor to give blood.
- The actual blood donation typically takes less than 10-12 minutes. The entire process, from the time you arrive to the time you leave, takes about an hour.
- The average adult has about 5 liters of blood in his body. Roughly 0.5 liters are given during a donation.
- A healthy donor may donate red blood cells every 56 days, or double red cells every 112 days.
- A healthy donor may donate platelets as few as 7 days apart, but a maximum of 24 times a year.
- All donated blood is tested for HIV, hepatitis B and C, syphilis and other infectious diseases before it can be released to hospitals.

Adapted from: http://www.redcrossblood.org/learn-about-blood/blood-facts-and-statistics

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HRMDC Presence in Social Media

Make sure to connect to them all

For latest updates on HR news, AUBMC vacancies, and other related HR updates, visit our AUBMC Human Resources page on Facebook:

http://www.facebook.com/AUBMCHR

AUBMC Human Resources page on LinkedIn:

http://www.linkedin.com/groups/AUBMC-
Human-Resources-Department-4556276

AUBMC Human Resources page on Twitter:

https://twitter.com/AUBMCHR

Current facebook page contains: recent HR activities and recent job advertisements
Feel free to visit our page, interact with its content & share any relevant material (and tell & invite your friends too. “liking” would make the page more visible too).

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Human Resources & the Social Media

Human Resource Department goes on Facebook, LinkedIn & Twitter to Follow

Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Youtube, Google+ are all examples of Social Media that are shaping our daily lives. Social media is increasingly gaining presence in our lives. Not only individuals, but all types of businesses and organizations are realizing the global impact Social media plays. The impact Social Media currently plays has forced all major businesses and organizations to adopt social media tactics and integrate them into their strategies (including branding, communication, recruitment, feedback, networking, and much more).

In Lebanon, there are currently 1.45 million users on Facebook, 182,000 professionals on LinkedIn and 77,000 users on twitter. Presence on social media has become an essential necessity to communicate, advertise, and brand ourselves with our community.

HRMDC is pleased to announce the creation of AUBMC Human Resources Pages on each of Facebook, LinkedIn, and Twitter. You are all invited to share, invite friends, like, comment, discuss, post and whatever you see worth sharing with a hopefully big community of followers.

Christmas & New Year HR Activities

HR Activities Calendar

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The DAISY Award was established by the not-for-profit DAISY (Diseases Attacking the Immune System) Foundation in 2000 by the family of J. Patrick Barnes who died at age 33 of complications of Idiopathic disease. During Pat's hospitalization period, his family was awestruck by the care and compassion his nurses provided not only to Pat but to everyone in his family. The Foundation, created in Pat’s memory, recognizes the extraordinary nurses everywhere who make an enormous difference in the lives of so many people by the super-human work they do every day.

DAISY Award recipients are nominated by their, peers, physicians, patients and families, and other staff and administrators to receive:

A certificate held in a leather holder, proclaiming the recipient an “Extraordinary Nurse.”

A DAISY Award pin (We’ve learned that nurses love to wear pins on their I.D. badge!)

A unique, hand-carved serpentine stone sculpture from Zimbabwe, entitled “A Healer’s Touch.”

Click here for more about these beautiful works of art.

A Spotlight page on our website, featuring a photo and telling the story of why this nurse was honored.

All the nurses and staff in the recipient’s unit receive cinnamon rolls at every celebration. The reason? Once, Patrick ate his father’s cinnamon roll when he was in the hospital without an appetite for food. He then requested one for the next day - and enough for all the nurses in the unit.

Each DAISY Award facility also receives a large celebratory banner that is hung in the hospital without an appetite for food. He then requested one for the next day - and enough for all the nurses in the unit.

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Q: How does competency level affect promotion and moving up the career ladder?
A: Meeting higher competency levels along with specific educational and experience requirements are necessary for a higher step in career ladder.

In Focus: Medical Transcription

They Work in the Medical Records Unit Round the Clock, What Else Do you Know About Them?

Medical Transcription is an allied health profession, which deals in the process of transcription, or converting voice-recorded reports as dictated by physicians and/or other healthcare professionals, into text format.

Medical Transcriptionist also known as a Medical Language Specialist or MLS is the person responsible for converting the patient’s medical record into written text document from recorded dictation.

Medical transcription encompasses the MEDICAL TRANSCRIPTIONIST, performing document typing and formatting functions according to an established criteria or format, transcribing the spoken word of the patient’s care information into written, easily readable form.

Medical Transcriptionists require also edit the transcribed documents, print or return the completed documents in timely fashion. All transcription reports must comply with medico-legal concerns, policies and procedures, and laws under patient confidentiality.

In addition, the Medical Transcriptionist interprets and transcribes dictation by physician and other healthcare professionals regarding patient assessment work up, therapeutic procedures, clinical course, diagnosis, etc., in order to document patient care and facilitate delivery of healthcare services.

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