

Balboa Beacon #1 Spring 2023



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The NMCS D program has been training fellows since the 1960s. We remain fully certified and have graduated nearly 100 fellows in our history! Over our history, graduates have deployed worldwide in both conflict and humanitarian assistance operations. Our graduates have also distinguished themselves in leadership and academics during and after their military careers. Our graduates have included both Navy and Air Force physicians, and remain an integrated program providing high quality pulmonary and state-of-the-art critical care training. Current academic accomplishments include: posters accepted for presentation at CHEST, ATS, and SCCM, active research protocols in SIPE (Swimming Induced Pulmonary Edema), lung cancer in the military and bronchiectasis, as well as multiple reviews and case reports published. Military deployments have included assignments to domestic COVID response teams, Afghanistan, and the Horn of Africa. Humanitarian projects include: Ghana Tb/HIV rotation, Pacific Partnership deployments, and COVID deployments. There are currently 8 Faculty and 5 Fellows in the department.

Recent Department Publications

Tracheal Y-Stent–induced Carinal Reunion after Complicated Aerodigestive Fistula Russell J. Miller, Nicholas J. Rohrhoff, Matthew M. Nobari, George Z. Cheng <https://www.atsjournals.org/doi/epdf/10.1164/rccm.202201-0066IM>

Incidence and Impact of Swimming Induced Pulmonary Edema on Navy SEAL candidates. Charles Volk, MD, LCDR, MC, USN; Jeffrey Spiro, MD, LT, MC, USN; Gilbert Boswell, MD; Peter Lindholm, MD, PhD; Julia Schwartz, MPH; Zenus Wilson, MD, LT, MC, USN; Sara Burger, MD, CAPT, MC, USN; and Michael Tripp, MD, CAPT, MC, USN [https://journal.chestnet.org/article/S0012-3692\(20\)35301-0/pdf](https://journal.chestnet.org/article/S0012-3692(20)35301-0/pdf)

Pleural Space Infections Foley, Sean PF, and John Scott Parrish. Life 13.2 (2023): 376.

Malignant Pleural Effusions: Updates in Diagnosis and Management. Stephen M... Jacob Jonas Carmichael. Life 13.1 (2023): 115.

Balboa Alumni News

Denny Amundson retired from Scripps after a long and distinguished career; 38 years active duty followed by 13 years of Critical Care at Scripps Mercy Hospitals in San Diego.

Mike Tripp (2005 graduate) retires summer of 2023 after 20 years active duty and will transition to SHARP Memorial Hospital, San Diego.

Greg Matwiyoff (2005 grad) retired summer of 2022 and now serves as the PCCM Director at the Reno Nevada VA Medical Center.

Gilbert Seda (2010 grad) retired summer of 2021 after 25 years of service and is the ICU Director at Scripps Chula Vista.

Konrad Davis retired after 21 years of active service and is Section Chief of PCCM at Scripps Memorial Hospital in La Jolla.

Ryan Maves retired after 20 years of service and now serves as Professor of Medicine at Wake Forest.

Carla Lamb is President-Elect of the American Association for Bronchology & Interventional Pulmonology (AABIP) and chair of IP at Lahey Clinic in Boston.

In memoriam: Fair winds and following seas. Sympathies to all friends and family.

John Bovier passed away 12/13/2020 and was interned with full military honors at Arlington National Cemetery, VA, on August 15, 2022.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/militarytimes/name/john-bouvier-obituary?id=36007442>

James McCarrick passed away 9/26/2022 after 40 years of dedicated practice in Asheville and Charlotte. <https://kennethpoeservices.com/obituaries/1383-dr-james-patrick-mccarrick-jr>

Tom Farrell an early graduate and long-time Navy supporter, passed away on 1/27/2023.

<https://www.alhiser-comer.com/obituaries/Thomas-Farrell-12/#!/TributeWall>

Robert Conte passed away August 6, 2021 leaving a legacy for Parkinson's Disease research.

Richard Schillaci passed away in 2013 and left a huge imprint on NMCS D which will be featured in a future Beacon.

Below is the list of over 100 alumni who have impacted NMCS D/Balboa's Pulmonary/Critical Care legacy. We cherish the memories and thank you for the impressions you have left. As a legacy to the fine training and support we received in our formative years, we have instituted a foundation to assist in training the next wave. We hope that you will consider a contribution to help support the next generation of Navy PCCM. Donations to the tax deductible 501.(c)(3) foundation can be sent to: **PO Box 34487, San Diego, California, 92163.**

The PCCM Foundation is a 501.c registered non-profit organization that was established in 2015 with the stated mission goal of providing support for trainees to acquire the necessary skills to excel in the practice of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine anywhere, anytime, under any conditions. PCCM Foundation grants have supported advanced mechanical ventilation training, a comprehensive ultrasound course, and development of the NMCS D ICU Handbook App available at <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/nmcsd-icu-handbook/id1448874796>. As the foundation grows we hope to fund junior faculty and trainees in advanced airway training, exercise physiology, advanced ultrasound training, expansion of research efforts in the areas of dyspnea in young adults, military related lung diseases, critical care in austere environments, as well as work to expand PCCM humanitarian projects led by alumni, current faculty, and trainees. The foundation's current and future success is dependent upon the contributions of program alumni, industry donations, and course fees collected by our teaching faculty.

We look forward to receiving any alumni news items for future Balboa Beacons at: foundation@pccmre.org. Please email us if you would like to become more involved with the Foundation.



NMCSD PCCM Fellowship Graduates

1. John Joseph Bouvier*
2. George Henry Barbier
3. Robert Bondurant
4. Victor Iacovoni
5. Thomas Farrell*
6. Robert S Conte*
7. James Boddicker
8. John Beamis
9. Robert Sarlin
10. Theodore Georges
11. Robert Calloway
12. Richard Blevins
13. Edward Ebert
14. Richard Pesce
15. Tony Warren
16. Daniel Nader
17. James McCarrick*
18. Leslie Smith
19. Stephen McAdams
20. John Newcomer
21. Stephen Baez
22. Robert Chin
23. Kevin Murray
24. Webster Bazemore
25. Frank Maguire
26. Peter Bagley
27. Dennis Amundson
28. Allen Roberts
29. Richard Summa
30. John Connolly
31. Nathan Mull
32. Scott Sageman
33. Bart Gumpert
34. David Bradshaw
35. Charles Martin
36. J. Scott Parrish
37. Dom Rascona
38. Joseph Mondschein
39. Russell Gilbert
40. John Perri
41. Peter Marco
42. Carla Lamb

43. Asha Vyas Devereaux
44. Richard Mahon
45. Christopher Lewis
46. Suzanne Timmer
47. Samuel El Halawani
48. David Murphy
49. William Gill
50. David Norton
51. Christopher Stafford
52. Matthew Boland
53. Bruce Ludwig
54. Gregory Ruff
55. Tony Han
56. Frank Grassi
57. Ken Eisenberg
58. Lisa Jones
59. Edward Pak
60. Gregory Matwiyoff
61. Michael Tripp
62. Alok Shah
63. Steven Escobar
64. Konrad Davis
65. Gilbert Seda
66. Thuy Lin
67. James Pahl
68. Jose Gomez
69. Steven Praske
70. Jonas Carmichael
71. Richard Hedelius
72. Russell Miller
73. Justin Stocks
74. Justin Reis
75. Ryan Maves
76. Michael Kavanaugh
77. Mike Powers
78. Alex Perry
79. Evan Butlin
80. Garrett Harp
81. Patricia Hogan
82. Michael Monson
83. Charles Volk
84. Patrick Moon

85. Jeff Biberston
86. Neil Partain
87. Ashley Alex
88. Paul Cusmano
89. Bobby Trentacosta
90. Brian Tran
91. Evan Ewers

Current Fellows

92. Nick Rohrhoff
93. Steve Hughes
94. Sean Foley
95. Daniel LaMorte
96. Stacy Chow

Key PCCM Faculty who graduated from other programs:

Donald Reid*
Donald C. Kent*
Richard Schillaci*
Tom Walsh
Jeff Miller
Richard Kanak
David Stroh
Steven Crawford
Lin Weaver
Lonnie Ruben
Mark Chung
Tim Quast
Jesse Sherratt
Nikunj Bhatt