This summer and fall we had an outstanding caliber of doctors join our physician practice. In addition to seeing patients at Albany Medical Center, we expanded our specialists’ reach by giving them scheduled time at offices in Latham and Malta. Many of the physicians profiled in this issue are seeing patients at these convenient locations. By bringing our specialists closer to you, we hope that we can better serve you and your patients.

The Department of Medicine expanded with the addition of Dr. Kirsi Jarvinen-Seppo, an adult and pediatric allergy and immunology specialist with expertise in food allergies, as well as Dr. Peter Doelken, a pulmonologist with a focus in endobronchial ultrasound and lung cancer. Additionally, the Department of Pediatrics welcomes Dr. Lilliana Barillas-Arias, a pediatric rheumatologist specializing in autoimmune conditions in children and Dr. James Listman, a pediatric nephrologist seeing children with chronic kidney disease and hypertension, to name a few.

The Department of Surgery welcomed breast surgeon Dr. Valerie Brutus, who specializes in minimally invasive breast surgery and nipple and skin sparing mastectomies.

I would also like to extend a special welcome to Dr. David Kimble, a urogynecologist with expertise in advanced laparoscopy and pelvic reconstruction. Also joining the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology are Drs. Anna Varlamov and Paul Burcher. These talented physicians will continue to reinforce the excellence of our OB/GYN program. In addition, Dr. Burcher will also serve as an assistant professor of bioethics at Alden March Bioethics Institute teaching medical ethics. And, lastly, Dr. Segun Dawodu joined our Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation and specializes in chronic pain management.

I would encourage you to reach out to any of these surgeons or physicians directly to learn more about their areas of expertise or to schedule an appointment for one of your patients.

Sincerely,

Vincent P. Verdile, MD
Dean, Albany Medical College
Executive Vice President for Health Affairs, Albany Medical Center
Kirsi Jarvinen-Seppo, MD, PhD

Assistant Professor of Medicine and Pediatrics
Albany Medical College

**BOARD CERTIFICATION**
American Board of Allergy and Immunology (Allergy and Immunology)
American Board of Pediatrics (Pediatrics)

**CLINICAL SPECIALTY**
Food allergy, atopic eczema, allergic rhinitis, asthma, urticaria, drug allergies

**FELLOWSHIP**
Allergy and Immunology
Mount Sinai School of Medicine
New York, New York

**RESIDENCY**
Pediatrics
Mount Sinai School of Medicine
New York, New York

**DOCTORATE**
Medical Science
University of Helsinki
Helsinki, Finland

**MEDICAL SCHOOL**
University of Helsinki
Helsinki, Finland

SEES PATIENTS IN ALBANY

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Valerie Brutus, MD

Assistant Professor of Surgery
Albany Medical College

**BOARD ELIGIBLE**
American Board of Surgery (General Surgery)

**CLINICAL SPECIALTY**
General and breast surgery, treatment of benign and malignant tumors of the breast, skin and nipple sparing mastectomies

**FELLOWSHIP**
Breast Surgery
Lynn Sage Comprehensive Breast Center
Northwestern University
Chicago, Illinois

**RESIDENCY**
General Surgery
Brooklyn Hospital Center
Brooklyn, New York

**DOCTORATE**
Medical Science
University of Helsinki
Helsinki, Finland

**MEDICAL SCHOOL**
Faculte de Medecine et de Pharmacie
Universite d’Etat d’Haiti
Port-au-Prince, Haiti

SEES PATIENTS IN ALBANY AND MALTA
Paul Burcher, MD, PhD

Assistant Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology
Assistant Professor of Bioethics
Albany Medical College

BOARD CERTIFICATION
American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology
(Obstetrics and Gynecology)

CLINICAL SPECIALTY
General obstetrics and gynecology, medical ethics

RESIDENCY
Obstetrics and Gynecology
University of Rochester
Rochester, New York

DOCTORATE
Philosophy
University of Oregon
Eugene, Oregon

MEDICAL SCHOOL
University of Arizona College of Medicine
Tucson, Arizona

SEES PATIENTS IN ALBANY AND MALTA

David Kimble, MD

Chief of Urogynecology and Pelvic Reconstructive Surgery
Associate Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology
Albany Medical College

BOARD CERTIFICATION
American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology
(Obstetrics and Gynecology)

CLINICAL SPECIALTY
DaVinci robotic surgery, female urology and urogynecology, advanced laparoscopic, pelvic reconstructive surgery

RESIDENCY
Obstetrics and Gynecology
Albany Medical Center
Albany, New York

MEDICAL SCHOOL
University of Florida College of Medicine
Gainesville, Florida

SEES PATIENTS IN ALBANY AND MALTA
Anna Varlamov, MD

Instructor of Obstetrics and Gynecology
Albany Medical College

BOARD ELIGIBLE
American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology (Obstetrics and Gynecology)

CLINICAL SPECIALTY
General obstetrics and gynecology

RESIDENCY
Obstetrics and Gynecology
Danbury Hospital
Yale University Affiliate
Danbury, Connecticut

MEDICAL SCHOOL
St. George’s University
Grenada, West Indies

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Lilliana Barillas-Arias, MD

Assistant Professor of Pediatrics
Albany Medical College

BOARD CERTIFICATION
American Board of Pediatric Rheumatology (Pediatric Rheumatology)
American Board of Pediatrics (Pediatrics)

CLINICAL SPECIALTY
Autoimmune conditions in children including systemic lupus erythematosus, juvenile arthritis, myositis and vasculitic syndromes

FELLOWSHIP
Pediatric Rheumatology
Hospital for Special Surgery and Weill Cornell College of Medicine
New York, New York

RESIDENCY
Pediatrics
New York Methodist Hospital
Brooklyn, New York

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SEES PATIENTS IN ALBANY
James Listman, MD

Associate Professor of Pediatrics
Albany Medical College

BOARD CERTIFICATION
American Board of Pediatrics
Sub-board of Pediatric Nephrology

CLINICAL SPECIALTY
Care of children with a variety of acute and chronic kidney diseases, hypertension and serving the special needs of those who require dialysis and kidney transplantation

FELLOWSHIP
Pediatric Nephrology
Boston Children’s Hospital
Boston, Massachusetts

RESIDENCY
Pediatrics
SUNY Upstate Medical University
Syracuse, New York

MEDICAL SCHOOL
SUNY Upstate Medical University
Syracuse, New York

Segun Dawodu, MD, JD, MBA

Associate Professor of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
Albany Medical College

BOARD CERTIFICATION
American Board of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (Pain Management, Spinal Cord Injury, Sports Medicine)

CLINICAL SPECIALTY
Interventional pain management for chronic neck and back pain, electrodiagnostic medicine for the evaluation of nerve and muscle function

FELLOWSHIP
Pediatric Nephrology
Boston Children’s Hospital
Boston, Massachusetts

RESIDENCIES
Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
Albany Medical Center
Albany, New York

General Surgery
Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh
Edinburgh, United Kingdom

Orthopedic Surgery
San Fernando General Hospital
Trinidad and Tobago

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