It’s been 82 days since the official integration of UMC and UPH forming UA Healthcare. The reason for the integration is simple; to strengthen the enterprise as it faces the future healthcare markets and to align its interests with that of the University of Arizona to enhance the national stature of the College of Medicine. As Vice President of Health System Integration, my goal is to keep you informed of the details of the project; its successes and challenges, to encourage open communication, project participation and also to provide a “glimpse” of what’s to come over the next few months.

What’s been accomplished so far?
• Integration goals were approved by the Board of Directors on August 26th
  ▶ Goals to be achieved by June 30, 2011 include:
    ° Unified Leadership
    ° Aligned Strategies
    ° Common Goals and Incentives
    ° Clear and consolidated Financial Statements
    ° Combined Operations – i.e., Public sees us as one

• Project plan for operational integration was approved by the Board of Directors on August 26th

• 13 Integration teams are operational as of today
  ▶ Purchasing
  ▶ Human Resources
  ▶ Credentialing
  ▶ Foundations
  ▶ Patient Accounts
  ▶ Risk Mgmt/Financing
  ▶ Information Technology
  ▶ Contracts
  ▶ Quality
  ▶ Compliance
  ▶ Marketing/Communications
  ▶ Finance
  ▶ University Medical Imaging

• The Purchasing/ Supply Chain Integration team successfully presented their plan to the Presidents Council and received preliminary approval and resources required to move forward – estimated impact $5 million - $10 million in savings – what a start!

• Strategic planning has begun under the leadership of Ann McGrath, VP Strategic Planning and Operational Improvement

• Branding of the new organization has begun under the joint leadership of Adaline Klemmedson, Chris Tucci and George Humphrey using SPM, an outside consultant

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What’s to be expected in the next 30 days – Through October?
• Implement project management software tool to ensure consistent accurate progress reporting
  ▶ The project infrastructure will be expanded to support the increased activity expected through year end
• Purchasing team will be in the “execution” phase of their plan
• Government Relations team will “kick off”
• The following teams will have presented to the President’s council
  ▶ Contracts
  ▶ Compliance
  ▶ Quality
  ▶ University Medical Imaging
  ▶ Credentialing
• The Board of Directors will be updated on integration progress, branding strategy and will participate in a brief strategic visioning session (September 22)
• The Board of Regents will be updated on integration progress (September 23 & 24)

What’s to be expected in the next 60 days – Through November?
• Teams expected to start
  ▶ Provider Based Clinics
  ▶ Physicians Resource Services
  ▶ Pharmacy
  ▶ Care Coordination Pilot
• The following teams will have presented to the President’s council
  ▶ Human Resources
  ▶ Marketing/Communications
  ▶ Foundations
  ▶ Finance/Treasury
• Board Retreat – (October 27 -29) – Strategic Planning and Branding will be the focus

Thanks to each of you for being so interested in this very important project. The teams have expanded over the last week to include many of you who have expressed an interest in participation. The clinical chairmen continue to be updated on our progress and maintain a keen interest in our efforts.