Banner Partners with UA, Phoenix Hospital Drops Good Samaritan Name

A Phoenix hospital is dropping its nearly 90-year-old name after it partnered with the University of Arizona this week.

“We all know what Good Samaritan means, but ultimately we wanted the new name to reflect that we are completely aligned with the mission of the university,” Steve Narang, the hospital’s CEO, said. Narang said the 30-year agreement with UA will help Banner – University Medical Center Phoenix recruit students and add a focus on research. “We are now in the journey to create the first academic medical center in the fifth-largest city in the country,” he said. Read more

AHSC Program Earns Large Grant to Boost Native American Health Care

The Native American Research and Training Center (NARTC) at the University of Arizona College of Medicine – Tucson at the Arizona Health Sciences Center was awarded a five-year, $975,000 grant from
the Indian Health Service. It's one of only two university programs selected for the grant nationwide. “According to the Association of American Medical Colleges, Arizona will suffer a shortage of 40,000 physicians by 2020 and the hardest hit will be rural and tribal communities,” said Teshia Solomon, PhD, associate professor in the UA Department of Family and Community Medicine and co-director of NARTC. This federally funded grant will support Native American pre-medicine and pre-health professions students, as well as graduate and professional students pursuing advanced degrees in medicine, public health and pharmacy, providing academic, career, cultural and personal support within a cultural context.

### Fox 10 News Phoenix

**University of Arizona's College of Medicine Match Day**

On March 23, surrounded by excited family members and friends, members of the UA College of Medicine – Tucson and UA College of Medicine – Phoenix Classes of 2015 opened the Match Day sealed envelopes containing letters showing where they will spend the next several years as resident-physicians, the next step in building a medical career. Residency programs vary in length from three years for general medicine/family practice specialties to eight years for the most specialized of surgeons. Most residencies will begin July 1.

### Health News Digest

**UA Cardiothoracic Surgeon Dr. Zain Khalpey Receives Prestigious Fulbright Award**

Zain Khalpey, MD, PhD, FETCS, associate professor of surgery at the University of Arizona, surgical co-director of Heart Transplant and director of Mechanical Circulatory Support and Mitral Valve Program at Banner - University Medical Center Tucson, has been awarded a 2015-16 Fulbright U.S. Scholar award. Awards in the Fulbright Distinguished Chairs Program are
viewed as among the most prestigious appointments in the Fulbright Scholar Program. Candidates are eminent scholars and have a significant publication and teaching record. Read more

Nephrology News & Issues

**Biosimilars Are On The Way, But Who Benefits?**

Making a generic drug is easy compared to developing a biosimilar compound, said David Goldsmith, MD, president and senior consultant of Goldsmith Pharmacovigilance and Systems. He, along with Ali McBride, PharmD, clinical coordinator for hematology/oncology at the University of Arizona Cancer Center, walked through the steps of how biosimilars are tested and developed during a symposium held this past week at the Renal Physicians Association’s annual meeting here. Read more

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