Arizona Daily Star

**UA Health Network Answers Questions About Banner Deal**

*The Arizona Daily Star* sat down with Joe G.N. "Skip" Garcia, MD, UA senior vice president for health sciences, interim dean of the UA College of Medicine – Tucson and a member of the UA Health Network Board of Directors, to get some answers about the Banner deal.

The UA Health Network includes two teaching hospitals, the UA Medical Center – University Campus at 1501 N. Campbell Ave., and the UA Medical Center – South at 2800 E. Ajo Way. The network also includes clinics, a physician practice plan that staffs the teaching hospitals with doctors from the UA, as well as its health insurance plans. [Read more]

Arizona Business Magazine

**Most Influential Women in Arizona Business**

Each year *Arizona Business Magazine* celebrates the amazing women who make an impact on Arizona business and they have deemed Nancy K. Sweitzer, MD, PhD, director of UA Sarver Heart Center, an advanced heart failure and transplant cardiologist and physiologist, one of Arizona’s 2014 Most Influential Women. She hopes to build bridges between clinical and science enterprises and increase discovery in the areas of translational and personalized cardiovascular medicine.

Her greatest accomplishment was becoming director of the UA Sarver Heart Center and chief of cardiology at the University of Arizona in March. [Read more]
Chronicle of Higher Education

Medical Division Chief at Duke Goes to University of Arizona

Monica Kraft, MD, an internationally renowned physician-scientist who specializes in translational asthma research, and professor of medicine and chief of pulmonary, allergy, and critical-care medicine at Duke University, has been named chair of the Department of Medicine at the University of Arizona College of Medicine – Tucson. She is scheduled to begin her new duties at the UA in December. Read more

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Defibrillator Scavenger Hunt Starts Today

Tucson Fire Department and the University of Arizona Department of Emergency Medicine are sponsoring the HeartMap Challenge event. The HeartMap Challenge is meant to raise awareness about AEDs – briefcase-sized devices that let non-medical professionals help cardiac arrest victims – and build a database of the devices’ locations. Prizes range from $50 to $5,000. More than 1.2 million AEDs are in public places around the country, and about 180,000 more are installed each year. Read more

Tucson News Now

Tucson ALS Clinic, Research Lab of Fruit Flies Help Southern Arizona Patients

“The ALS clinic at the University of Arizona South Campus is the only clinic in Southern Arizona with true multidisciplinary care for ALS where we incorporate speech therapy, occupational therapy, physical therapy, respiratory therapy and a dietician, in addition to the MDA health science coordinator,” Katalin Scherer, MD, said. Dr. Scherer and Holli A. Horak, MD, are associate professors of neurology at the UA Department of Neurology and are the two physicians in the ALS Clinic at the UAMC – South Campus. Dr. Scherer said ALS primarily affects muscle
function and progressively paralyzes essentially every voluntary muscle in the body in a fast pace. She said it has psychological affects, not just for the patient, but the whole family. Read more