Ross Stone, MD, Internal Medicine Resident saw a 40 year old male patient admitted with typical chest pain and clinically stable. Labs and EKG should have shown signs of a heart attack, however did not. Ross initiated a cath sequence and patient had a plaque rupture and a stent was successfully placed. Great save!
Cynthia Calhoun selected as UAB Employee of the Month for March. As administrative associate and fellowship administrator in the Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine, Cynthia is known for exceeding expectations. Her co-workers call her the glue that holds the division together and someone who can always be counted on to meet deadlines and goals. “Cyndi is helpful to a fault and meets the demands of her job with a smile,” said J. Allen D. Cooper, M.D., director of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine Fellowship Program. “She has taught me and others in our division to maintain a positive attitude during adverse times.” Calhoun has been with UAB since September 1984, spending her entire career in the same unit. For her dedication and hard work, she has been named March Employee of the Month. Thyrza Johnson, program manager in the division, said Calhoun has the best attitude of anyone she has ever met. “I have never once heard her complain or moan about her job or dealing with incoming or outgoing fellows,” Johnson said. “She has a constantly good attitude, which seems to rub off onto others even when they don’t know it.” Being the fellowship coordinator keeps her busy, Calhoun said. She loves her job and finds it easy to remain passionate about her work because of the personal ties she creates there.
Dr. Tiffany Carson received the Charles Barkley Health Disparities Investigator Award for Best Oral Presentation at UAB’s 9th Annual Health Disparities Research Symposium on March 20, 2014. Dr. Carson’s presentation was entitled “Community-based participatory research strategies for enhanced enrollment of underrepresented individuals for bio-specimen research”. The award includes a certificate and a cash award from an endowment fund donated to the UAB MHRC by Mr. Barkley.
Our hospital’s rank for risk adjusted mortality has improved to 73 for the last quarter of 2013 compared to 87 the previous quarter (out of 120 academic medical centers). The attached slide shows the progression of O/E and rank over recent quarters. Special thanks to Jim Johnson, MD for leading this charge!
Good News

Just published:


Anath Shalev, MD
Division of Endocrinology, Diabetes, & Metabolism
John Mountz received a new R01 grant from NIAID entitled, “Follicular Exclusion of Self Antigens Prevents Development of Autoantibodies.”