

## Chairman's Message



**Rhoda M. Alani, M.D.**

Greetings from Boston where we are finally coming to the end of a long, cold winter. It would appear that excessive bad weather makes us more productive as a team, as we recently had our largest number of faculty presentations at the AAD meeting in Miami, FL and the largest number of publications since our last update (see below for details). Hopefully you were able to attend some of the AAD presentations from our faculty to support our BU Dermatology team. While there was much excitement generated by the academic activities of the department in Miami, we were also thrilled to be able to see so many of our alumni at our annual AAD reunion. This year's event featured a terrific band along with delicious food and drinks which were enjoyed by all attendees despite the unseasonably cold weather. As always, it was great to catch up with so many of our former trainees and learn of their exciting adventures since leaving BU. Please continue to keep us apprised of your news throughout the year.

As is typical for this time of year, we are currently anticipating many changes in the department as we look to graduation activities for our residents and fellows and welcoming our incoming class of new trainees in July. We are also excited to be welcoming several new faculty members to the department and will share details of these important recruitments following their arrival this summer.

Of course, much of our attention has been focused on the recent tragic events at the Boston Marathon and I am happy to report that things in the city are slowly getting back to normal. As you might imagine, Boston Medical Center played a major role in caring for large numbers of victims of the bombings, not only in the acute setting, but also in the days and weeks following the attack. Although the Department of Dermatology was not directly involved in caring for these patients or their families, all members of our BMC community came together to support the injured and their loved ones during this difficult time and we are all so proud of the exceptional care provided to those in need by our BMC faculty, trainees, and staff. As some of you may have noted, we posted a brief note on our website to let the BU Dermatology community know that all members of the department were doing well and were, thankfully, not personally affected by this tragedy and we are grateful for all of the notes of concern and support from our BU Dermatology family during this difficult time.

Wishing you all a wonderful summer and please be sure to keep in touch.

Warmest regards,  
Rhoda

## Barbara Gilchrest Named 2012 Charter Fellow By National Academy of Inventors



Barbara Gilchrest, MD, Professor and Chair Emeritus of the department of dermatology at Boston University School of Medicine (BUSM) and dermatologist at Boston Medical Center (BMC), has been named a 2012 Charter Fellow of the National Academy of Inventors (NAI).

Gilchrest is among four faculty members at Boston University nominated to the NAI in 2012. This year's charter fellows, who are elected by their peers, represent 98 innovators from 54 universities and non-profit research institutes. This professional distinction is accorded to academic inventors who have demonstrated a highly prolific spirit of innovation in creating or facilitating outstanding inventions that have made a tangible impact on quality of life, economic development and the welfare of society.

Board certified in internal medicine and dermatology, Gilchrest received her medical degree from Harvard Medical School and completed residencies in internal medicine and dermatology at Harvard-affiliated hospitals. Prior to her appointment as Chair, Gilchrest held academic appointments at Harvard Medical School and Tufts University School of Medicine. She has clinical and laboratory-based research interests in skin aging and pigmentation and has published extensively based on her pioneering work in these fields. Gilchrest is a member of the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences and was cited in the book, 100 Best Doctors in America.

NAI Charter Fellows were inducted by the U.S. Commissioner for Patents, Margaret A. Focarino, from the United States Patent and Trademark Office, during the 2nd Annual Conference of the NAI on Feb. 22, 2013, in Tampa, Fla. Fellows were presented with a special trophy and a rosette pin.

## **The Boston University Center for Ethnic Skin**

### **Personalized care plan designed for each patient**

The Boston University Center for Ethnic Skin specializes in the diagnosis and treatment of skin, hair, and nail disorders unique to women and men with skin of color, such as African, Asian, East Indian, Hispanic, and Middle Eastern descent. The mission of this center is to provide dermatologic care in individuals while taking into account the natural color of their skin and offers a comprehensive, personalized care plan designed specifically for the care of each patient's color, tone, and texture of skin and hair.

The center offers specialized care in general, procedural, surgical, and cosmetic dermatology for patients with conditions including post-inflammatory hyperpigmentation, peri-orbital hyperpigmentation, melasma, vitiligo, keloids, acne keloidalis nuchae, pseudofolliculitis barbae, central centrifugal cicatricial alopecia, acanthosis nigricans, and dermatosis papulosa nigra. Special services include punch

and blister grafting for vitiligo, skin resurfacing, advanced skin discoloration treatments, as well as a wide range of cosmetic therapies.



**Neelam A. Vashi, M.D., FAAD**

Dr. Neelam A. Vashi is a board certified dermatologist and Founder and Director of the Boston University Center for Ethnic Skin. Dr. Vashi received her medical degree from Northwestern University's Feinberg School of Medicine where she was inducted into the

Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society. After her internship in internal medicine at Northwestern University – McGaw Medical Center, Dr. Vashi came to the east coast to complete her dermatology residency at New York University (NYU) in the Ronald O. Perleman Department of Dermatology, with training at NYU Langone Medical Center, Bellevue Hospital, and the Manhattan VA Hospital. Her clinical and research interests focus on the therapy of skin, hair, and nail disorders that occur more frequently in individuals with skin of color.

### **Dr. Lynne Goldberg Elected to the American Society of Dermatopathology's Board of Directors for 2013**



The Dermatopathology Section is extremely pleased to announce the election of Dr. Lynne Goldberg to the American Society of Dermatopathology's Board of Directors for 2013. Please join us in congratulating her on this recognition of her leadership in the fields of dermatopathology and hair disorders.

### **Dermatopathology**

Our section has been highly active in academia over the past several months. Dermatopathology faculty gave a total of seven lectures at the American Academy of Dermatology's 2013 Annual Meeting in Miami, on topics including melanoma molecular diagnostics, clinicopathologic correlation, skin biopsies in the evaluation of pruritus, and vasculitis.

Our faculty continues to publish actively in the dermatology and dermatopathology literature, with

recent publications in prominent journals including Archives of Dermatology, Modern Pathology and the American Journal of Dermatopathology; please refer to the end of the newsletter for a detailed list of these articles. Many of these publications were co-authored by our current and former fellows, and we congratulate them on all their hard work and success as well.

## Unprecedented Number of Applications

The IGPD continues to be a vibrant and successful program

By Thomas Ruenger, M.D.

This past fall, we received an unprecedented number of applications for our International Graduate Training Program in Dermatology (IGPD). Therefore, admission into the IGPD has become quite a competitive process. Keeping pace with the recent growth of our department and clinical services, we will be expanding the number of international trainees from currently ten to fifteen in the next academic year starting July 1.

The Admission Committee, consisting of Drs. Lynne Goldberg, Debjani Sahni, and myself, admitted eight new trainees, who will come from the British Virgin Islands, Indonesia, Iraq, Jamaica, Libya, Saudi Arabia, Thailand, and Yemen. As a result, we will have trainees from ten different countries in the program next year. That will increase the total number of countries from which we have had trainees to twenty-nine.

It was heart-warming to see many letters of recommendation for the applicants written by various alumni of our international program. I am grateful for this continued support and trust that the quality of training and the academic rigor of our international program is well worth the time, effort, and expense. In return, we are very proud of all the good work and care for patients with skin disease that is done by all the in-

ternational BU-Derm alumni in so many corners of the world. The current first year trainees have accustomed themselves to the new environment and are very busy with clinics, class presentations and exams. I am happy that Drs. Wipanee Akaraputit ("Winnie") and Mayra Buainain de Castro Maymone ("May"), who originally signed up only for the one-year Diploma program, decided to stay for another year to pursue the Master of Science in Dermatology degree.

The current 2nd year MS students, Drs. Siwarat Chotinukul ("Bond") and Punyada Suchiva ("Pam"), have less than three months left in the program before graduation and are already thinking about their return home and their continued careers in Thailand. Only in her second year of the four-year Doctorate program, Dr. Tiankai Du ("Katherine") has already started working on her thesis with Dr. Deon Wolpowitz. She will also be the next Chief International Trainee, assisted by Dr. Chanika Kulaputra ("Bee").

The current Chief International Trainee, Dr. Palinee Rattanasirivilai ("Pauline"), is finishing up her thesis work on scarring alopecias with Dr. Lynne Goldberg, and I am looking forward to her thesis defense later this year.



Over the years, we have had many trainees from Thailand and I have been promising to visit this country for a long time. This past winter, I finally made good on this promise.

My wife, my daughter and I enjoyed wonderful hospitality by many IGPD alumni. Drs. Passaratep Anurukpaiboon ("Pat"), Chidchon Sakjirapapong ("Pla"), Marinya Pongpudpun ("Kate") and Nicha Keoprasom showed us around Bangkok and Pat traveled with us to the beautiful islands of Koh Samui and Koh Tao in the Gulf of Thailand. Catching up with former trainees, seeing where they live and work, meeting their friends and family, eating delightful Thai food, and seeing this beautiful country through their eyes, has been an unforgettable experience. One highlight of this trip was a reunion of the Thai BU-Derm IGPD alumni (see picture). Unfortunately, some alumni were not able to come because it is a custom to leave Bangkok for the New Year Holiday. It seems that I need to go back at some other time and I will be very happy to do so.

## Outstanding Matched Applicants

The Training Program welcomes the following to BU Dermatology in July 2014

By Amit Garg, M.D.

**Claire Chang**, University of Pennsylvania  
Hobbies: Volleyball, Tennis, Bikram Yoga, Spinning, Running, Cooking, Piano

**Ellinor Quay**, New York University  
Hobbies: running. Completed New Jersey Shore Marathon in under 4 hours

**Shalini Reddy**, Boston University  
Hobbies: running, cooking, watching basketball, piano/music, tennis, traveling

**Babu Singh**, Boston University  
Hobbies: "Iron Chef," addiction medicine, soccer (Division I athlete)

**Aubrey Wagenseller**, University of Virginia  
Hobbies: cooking, oil painting, running, soccer (Division I athlete), squash, reading novels, listening to music

All have accomplished track records in research and scholarship and have demonstrated significant potential for leader

ship. We have worked closely with 3 of our matches (Aubrey, Babu, and Shalini) and we were also highly impressed after meeting Claire and Ellinor.

A significant effort is involved in recruiting a new class, and we are very grateful for the participation of a number faculty and residents during this process.

My special thanks to the recruitment committee (Rhoda, Emmy, Christina, Amy, Neelam, Hee-Young, Meera, Cindy) for their efforts.



## Residents Attend Meeting in Miami, Florida

### The American Academy of Dermatology Meeting

The Annual American Academy of Dermatology meeting was held in Miami Florida this year. The meeting was attended by 13 of the 15 current residents and 9 of the current 10 international trainees and provided an opportunity for all to attend courses, symposiums and poster sessions on topics ranging from basic dermatology to dermatopathology and updates in research. Current third year resident, Cindy Bae-Harboe was awarded a La Roche-Posay North American Foundation 2013 Research award for her project titled A survey study to evaluate self perceptions of skin cancer risk and photoaging after facial skin quality analysis.



Current trainees with Dr. Phillips, Dr. Goldberg and Dr. Sahni at the AAD Meeting in Miami, FL

## Congratulations to the Class of 2013



**Dr. Yoon-Soo Cindy Bae-Harboe** will pursue a procedural fellowship with Dr. Roy Geronemus, at the Laser and

Skin Surgery Center of New York located in Manhattan. Her residency and fellowship training will provide the groundwork to pursue a career in Mohs micrographic surgery, laser surgery and cosmetics. Dr. Bae's research interests include scar revision, anti-aging and photobiology. In her free time, she enjoys traveling, water sports (surfing and scuba diving) and spending time with friends and family.



**Dr. Kathryn Kent** will be joining SkinCare Physicians as their Mohs fellow this July. Dr. Kent has a clinical interest in the treat-

ment of scars, and in the future she hopes to provide her services pro bono for survivors of violence. In her free time she enjoys traveling, hiking and volunteering with the Boston Area Rape Crisis Center. After completion of her fellowship, she hopes to settle down with her husband in a coastal area somewhere south of the Mason-Dixon line.



**Dr. Emily Wise** will be joining Krauss Dermatology, a private practice in Wellesley Hills, MA. She will be joining Madeline Krauss and

Pamela Norden, both graduates of the BU/Tufts combined dermatology residency program as well as a fourth physician, Ellen Lacomis. Dr. Wise plans to see patients of all ages in her office and will be practicing both general and cosmetic dermatology. She has a clinical interest in acne. She continues to be active in her role on the Board of Directors for the Melanoma Foundation of New England. When she is not at work, Dr. Wise enjoys running, golfing, sailing and spending time with her new husband, Kearney.



**Dr. Lana Kashlan** will be joining Dr. Amy Taub at Advanced Dermatology in Chicago, Illinois. Dr. Kashlan's clinical

and research interests focus on both medical and cosmetic dermatology, with a particular interest in laser therapy to treat a variety of dermatologic conditions. In her spare time, she enjoys traveling and sampling new and exotic cuisines.



**Dr. Laurel Morton** will be joining SkinCare Physicians in Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts as their Laser and Cosmetic fellow. Dr. Morton's research interests

include wound healing and cosmetic laser interventions. In her free time, she enjoys running and travel. In the future, she hopes to practice general and procedural dermatology.

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This year Boston Medical Center will be partnering with Channel 7 for the Annual Health and Fitness Expo at the Hynes Convention Center, June 22/23 (9-5pm). The Health and Fitness expo is an annual event that has been very popular with the public, with 70,000 people turning out every year to take advantage of the opportunity of free health screening and fitness exams.

The Expo aims to bring health and fitness information to the public, and essentially make health care fun and accessible. By putting people first,

we at BMC are adhering to our motto of 'exceptional care without exception'.

Dr. Debjani Sahni will be leading the Dermatology section of the health expo, and has been supported fully by Dr Deborah Cummins, Marsha Stevens, and Molly Collier – a wonderful team! There will be skin scanners, video presentations, posters, leaflets, a kid's arts and crafts corner, fun skin health quizzes, samples of UV protective clothing and plenty of sunscreens and moisturizers. The list is endless.....

One of our residents Dr. Cindy Bae-Harboe will be conducting her research study looking at the variation in photo-damage between the left and right side of the face of willing participants. La Roche Posay has generously provided the research grant to execute this study.

We at BMC Dermatology are very excited about this highly popular public event, and hope this will also help promote the excellent services that we offer here at BMC.

**Save the date for June 22 and 23 at the Hynes Convention Center. It's just round the corner...**

## 2013-2014 Grand Rounds Schedule

### **Art Papier, M.D.**

Co-Founder and Chief Executive Officer of Logical Images  
Associate Professor of Dermatology and Medical Informatics at the  
University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry

**July 10, 2013**

### **Sancy Leachman, M.D., Ph.D.**

#### ***Howard Koh Visiting Professorship Lecture***

Chair, Department of Dermatology  
Director of the Melanoma Research Program at the  
OHSU Knight Cancer Institute

**August 7, 2013**

### **Keith Flaherty, M.D.**

Director of the Henri and Melinda Termeer Center  
Massachusetts General Hospital

**September 4, 2013**

### **George Reizner, M.D.**

Professor, University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health  
Co-Founder and Co-Director of the  
University of Wisconsin Multidisciplinary Melanoma Clinic

**October 9, 2013**

### **Irene Leigh, M.D.**

#### ***Barbara Gilchrest Visiting Professorship Lecture***

Professor, Cellular and Molecular Medicine  
Clinical Research Centre, Ninewells Hospital and Medical School Dundee

**November 6, 2013**

### **Alice Gottlieb, M.D.**

Harvey Bansell Professor of Dermatology  
Chair of Dermatology and Dermatologist-in-Chief  
Tufts Medical Center

**December 4, 2013**

### **Rox Anderson, M.D.**

Professor, Harvard Medical School  
Director, Wellman Center for Photomedicine  
Massachusetts General Hospital

**January 9, 2014**

### **Victoria Werth, M.D.**

Professor of Dermatology, Perelman Center for Advanced Medicine  
Chief of Dermatology, Philadelphia VA Hospital

**February 5, 2014**

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**March 5, 2014**

### **Jerry Shaprio, M.D.**

Clinical Professor, University of British Columbia  
Department of Dermatology and Skin Science

**April 2, 2014**

### **Sean J. Whittaker, M.D.**

#### ***Marie-France Demierre Memorial Lecture***

Consultant Dermatologist, Guy's and St. Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust,  
London and Senior Lecturer, King's College, London  
Clinical Director for Dermatology, Allergy And Sexual Health

**May 14, 2014**

### **Alexa Kimball, M.D., MPH**

Senior VP, Mass General Physicians Organization  
Vice Chair, Department of Dermatology  
Director, Clinical Unit for Research Trials in Skin

**June 4, 2014**



## Phonathon

Last fall, the Department of Dermatology hosted our **Annual Residency Program Phonathon**. Our residents gathered together to make phone calls in the Pochi Library and connected with our alumni, catching them up on departmental events and asking for pledges that will help support activities for our residency training program. Each pledge will be *matched by Dr. Alani*, up to a maximum overall contribution of \$10,000.

**We have already raised over \$10,000 thanks to you!**

If you were unable to participate in our Phonathon and would like to donate this year, donations can be made by direct mail (see pledge card), through our secure online website [www.development.bmc.org/dermatology](http://www.development.bmc.org/dermatology) or by calling our Development office at 617-414-5544. Please remember, all

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MULTIDISCIPLINARY CUTANEOUS ONCOLOGY PROGRAM PROVIDING STATE-OF-THE-ART CARE UNDER NEW DIRECTION AT BOSTON MEDICAL CENTER

Debjani Sahni, MD is the newly appointed director of Boston Medical Center's Cutaneous Oncology Program and has recently joined the dermatology faculty at Boston University School of Medicine. A British dermatologist, Dr Sahni completed her dermatology residency training at the world class St John's Institute of Dermatology in London, and completed a clinical fellowship in Cutaneous Oncology at Brigham and Women's Hospital, Harvard Medical School. She brings with her, expertise from both sides of the Atlantic together with a dedicated and personalized approach to patient care.



Debjani Sahni, MD

*"Dr. Sahni was great. She listened to everything I had to say, let me ask questions, and spoke to me like I am a real person who knows what's going on..... I feel that my appointment with Dr. Sahni really stood out as a positive experience for me here at BMC. The staff are phenomenal in what they do."*  
 - JJ dermatology patient

### RAPID ACCESS REFERRAL SERVICE

Our team of experts encompass all aspects of cutaneous oncology: Melanoma and Complex Pigmented Lesions; Cutaneous Lymphoma; High Risk Non-Melanoma Skin Cancer. The services provided are readily accessible to patients with new referrals expedited to clinic within 2 weeks.

At Boston Medical Center we pride ourselves in providing our skin cancer patients with rapid access, coordinated care in our state-of-the-art clinical facilities Shapiro Ambulatory Care Center and Moakley Cancer Care Center. Our multidisciplinary team of physicians includes cutaneous oncology specialists from dermatology, dermatopathology, surgical oncology, medical oncology and radiation oncology. This multispecialty approach ultimately leads to highly coordinated, patient centered, individualized treatment plans that ensure the highest quality clinical care.

To refer a patient to the Cutaneous Oncology Program please call BMC's Department of Dermatology at:

617-638-7410

For more information visit [bmc.org/dermatology.htm](http://bmc.org/dermatology.htm)



WE ARE CURRENTLY RECRUITING PATIENTS FOR THE FOLLOWING CLINICAL TRIALS:

- Phase III Randomized Study of Adjuvant Ipilimumab Anti-CTLA4 Therapy vs High-Dose Interferon  $\alpha$ -2b for Resected High-Risk Melanoma
- Randomized Phase II Trial of Carboplatin, Paclitaxel, Bevacizumab, with or without Everolimus for Metastatic Malignant Melanoma
- Phase II Trial of the MTOR Inhibitor Everolimus in Relapsed or Refractory Cutaneous T-Cell Lymphoma
- Randomized Open-Label Phase III Trial of Brentuximab Vedotin (SGN-35) vs MD's Choice (Methotrexate or Bexarotene) in Patients with CD30+ Cutaneous T-Cell Lymphoma



Boston Medical Center is the primary teaching affiliate of Boston University School of Medicine.



## photographic services

Total Body Photography is performed by appointment only. Please phone 800-801-4240 or 610-992-1770 to schedule a time at a location convenient for you.

**Total Body Photography (TBP) session** with 9" x 12" (standard) prints in a digital print portfolio (print book) ..... \$450

Total Body Photography session with 12" x 18" (large view) prints ..... \$550

**add a CD DermaGraphix viewer** ..... \$ 45  
Includes TBP images in a password protected viewer application which provides easy navigation and magnification for review of your images, and serves as a digital back-up to your print book.

**TBP session and CD viewer only** ..... \$350

Prices shown above do not include shipping charges. We request payment at the time services are rendered.

We cannot guarantee reimbursement from your insurance company, but we will assist you if help is requested.



## DermaTrak Skin Imaging Centers for Total Body Photography

Supplying comprehensive medical photography services, DermaTrak Skin Imaging Centers provide physicians and patients with Total Body Photography using state-of-the-art, ultra-high resolution digital imaging with extremely fine detail for viewing comparison images in both print and digital formats.

DermaTrak Skin Imaging Centers is headed by Bill Wilmer. For 25 years Bill served as director of medical photography for the Department of Dermatology at the University of Pennsylvania, where Bill and physicians Wallace H. Clark and Allan C. Halpern pioneered the use of Total Body Photography as an effective tool for the early detection of melanoma.

DermaTrak Skin Imaging Centers is a division of Canfield Scientific, Inc., the world's largest provider of clinical imaging services for medical and pharmaceutical research.

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for appointments or additional information:

800-801-4240  
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## PRESCRIPTION FORM

Total Body Photography

patient name \_\_\_\_\_

date \_\_\_\_\_

diagnosis ☐ 238.2 skin neoplasm of uncertain behavior  
☐ 172.9 malignant melanoma  
☐ V10.82 personal history of melanoma  
☐ V16.8 family history of melanoma  
CPT code ☐ 96904 whole body integumentary photography

**Total Body Photography session and digital print portfolio (print book)**

☐ 9" x 12" color prints - standard  
☐ 12" x 18" color prints - large view  
☐ add CD Viewer (requires TBP session)  
☐ TBP session and CD Viewer only

signature of prescriber \_\_\_\_\_

Please phone 800-801-4240 for appointment.

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a proven tool for the early detection of skin cancer

# Total Body Photography

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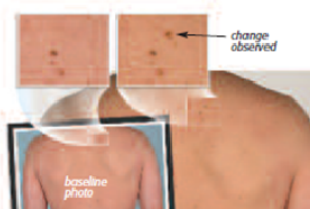
## mole mapping for melanoma screening

If you have received this brochure, your doctor has probably recommended Total Body Photography (TBP) for melanoma screening.

According to the American Cancer Society, over 62,000 new cases of melanoma were diagnosed in this country last year. Statistics from the National Cancer Institute indicate that the incidence of many common cancers is falling, but the incidence of melanoma continues to rise significantly, at a rate faster than that of any of the seven most common cancers. Many melanomas develop as changing moles. When detected and diagnosed early, melanoma is easily cured. Sun precaution and early diagnosis could prevent 100,000 new cases of melanoma.

"Photography can be one of your greatest allies in early melanoma detection, because it can help detect changes over time."

- Allan C. Halpern, MD  
Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, New York



Your set of baseline images assists in the early detection of changes in existing moles or occurrence of new moles.

Mole mapping by TBP is one of the best ways to document the clinical appearance of your moles for future reference. Leading medical centers and private dermatologists employ Total Body Photography to aid in the early detection of melanoma. TBP can help you and your physician check for changes in

"Baseline photographs of a patient's skin surface are extremely useful because they enable physicians to make much more informed evaluations about worrisome lesions."

"Total Body Photographs taken by trained medical photographers should be used in conjunction with patient education in skin self-examination, as well as regular, thorough skin exams by a physician."

- Adele Green, MD, PhD  
Queensland Institute of Medical Research, Queensland, Australia

your existing moles, detect new moles and aid in screening for melanoma.

You will receive a book of photos showing your skin surface in sections and instructions for using your print book. This print book will serve as the baseline for future skin examinations. TBP is usually a one-time investment in your health care that may or may not be covered by your insurance company. You would only need to repeat the TBP if your body underwent significant changes, such as growing to adulthood, pregnancy, extreme weight change, or developing many moles.

The current appearance of your moles can be compared with your baseline TBP photos during your monthly self-examination and on follow-up visits with your physician. If you

see a change, circle the location on the acetate covered print for review with your physician. This form of screening can reveal subtle changes in moles that may be indicative of melanoma in its earliest and most curable phase. Also, TBP may prevent unnecessary biopsies of moles that have not changed when compared to the baseline photos.

## what to expect

Total Body Photography is a medical procedure in which the skin covering most of the body is documented in a series of sectional photos. A typical TBP session takes only a few minutes.

Because it is necessary to remove all clothing for TBP, a staff chaperone accompanies the patient and photographer at all times. In addition, you are welcome to bring a friend or family member with you.

TBP is performed by a professional medical photographer, and **strict confidentiality is maintained at all times.** While the TBP procedure may initially seem awkward and embarrassing, in the long run you should find peace of mind in knowing that you have taken a critical step toward ensuring your good health and well being.

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SAVE THE DATE

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2013**  
**InterContinental Boston**

Join us in our mission to reduce the risk of melanoma.

6:00 pm | Champions of Hope VIP Reception

7:00 pm | Shades of Hope Reception & Dance Party

Co-Chairs Rhoda Alani, MD and Lisa Cohen, MD

**Suzanne Donahue Keeper of the Hope Honorees**  
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