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A Hug For Grandma

Bryan, a young boy, lived with the effects of shaken baby syndrome – cognitive delays, seizures, chronic headaches and foot problems. On receiving a treatment at Medina Hospital using Frequency Specific Microcurrent (FSM), his speech began improving and he could fully extend an arm that had been frozen at a 90-degree angle.



Bryan and Dr. Burke adjust the FSM device.

His pediatrician, David A. Burke, DO, says he seldom has seen results such as this.

“He ran down the hallway and gave my nurse a high-five, then came back and hugged his grandmother with both arms, which he had never done before,” says Dr. Burke, a specialist in osteopathic manipulative medicine and general pediatrics. “It was amazing.”

After six months of periodic treatments, Bryan’s seizures ended and his parents ordered an FSM device for use at home.

Similarly remarkable results occurred with another young patient who dislocated her kneecap while riding a bike. She developed complex regional pain syndrome, which initially was treated with anti-seizure medication. However, through FSM treatment, her pain and numbness, which she had from thigh to calf, plummeted. Her life began to return to normal, and she has been pain-free for several months.

Dr. Burke cautions that FSM results vary among patients and that some people do not experience relief. However, he is impressed by the treatment, which relies on a 9-volt battery and has existed since the 1920s, in one form

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BASH Recap

The BASH on Oct. 21 was a great success, with more than 250 guests and volunteers enjoying an evening of fun, food and philanthropy at Weymouth Country Club in Medina. The annual gala raised just over \$101,000 for Cleveland Clinic Children’s services and cardiac patient services at Medina Hospital. The evening’s mistress of ceremonies, Betsy Kling, Chief Meteorologist of WKYC, shared her family’s experiences at the hospital
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Betsy Kling, Mistress of Ceremonies

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or another. It is only in the past decade that clinical protocols were established. FSM is used in treating many different kinds of pain, ranging from musculoskeletal to shingles to concussion syndrome

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– as well as a variety of other health concerns.

FSM helps treat nerve and muscle pain using precise frequency combinations and low amperage current, improving outcomes for specific conditions.

“I’ve seen the results,”

Dr. Burke says. “It’s another tool in our medical toolbox, along with such nontraditional treatments as yoga, acupuncture, lasers and other forms of care.”

What’s appealing about FSM, he says, is that it is not shock therapy; there are no needles; it’s painless; children are not afraid of it; and, most of all, it can work.

“About all your child needs to tolerate is a moist towel, some alligator clips and a low-frequency current for about half an hour or so per session,” Dr. Burke says. “They can play while the treatment is administered, and the results can be both quick and effective.”

New uses for FSM continue to be explored within Cleveland Clinic’s Department of Integrated Medicine, with a focus on feeding and attention deficit disorders.

“Our efforts now include getting the word out on the benefits of FSM,” Dr. Burke says. “We’re very excited about its future. It has the potential of changing the way pediatric medicine is practiced. I know it has changed the way I practice.”

Dr. Burke spoke at the BASH (Benefitting a Superior Hospital) gala, proceeds of which will benefit integrative medicine approaches for Medina Hospital pediatrics.

To learn more about FSM, call Cleveland Clinic Children’s Center for Pediatric Integrative Medicine at 216.448.6610, or visit clevelandclinicchildrens.org/integrativemedicine.

Dr. Burke’s office is located in the Medina Hospital Medical Office Building. For an appointment, call 330.721.5700.

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Fourth Consecutive “A” Leapfrog Survey

For the fourth consecutive period, Medina Hospital earned an “A” from The Leapfrog Group. The Leapfrog Hospital Survey combines data from a voluntary, self-reported survey with various publicly reported metrics to produce a single composite score, which is published as a letter grade. That grade often is considered the gold standard when comparing hospitals on the basis of safety, quality, and efficiency, and helps patients and their families to determine where they will go for the highest-quality healthcare.

Patient safety, quality of care and improved efficiency are continuing goals for the caregivers at Medina Hospital, who frequently have been recognized for their efforts, both locally and nationally.

To learn more about the Leapfrog rating system and see details on Medina Hospital, please visit leapfroggroup.org.

Memorial Listing

Corinne Hadley
*In memory of
Larry Scudder*

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*In memory of
Josephine Garapic*



BASH guests enjoy dancing to the music of Midnight Blue.

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and emphasized the value of a hometown hospital that is affiliated with a world-renowned healthcare institution.

David Burke, DO, thanked the guests for supporting both programs and related stories that showed how Medina Hospital’s excellent care makes a difference in patients’ lives. He recounted a story of a young woman from the Pennsylvania-Ohio border who traveled to Medina seeking help in alleviating chronic pain that was not controlled by standard drug treatment. After five Frequency Specific Microcurrent treatments by Dr. Burke, she was able to go on to college without relying on medication for pain control.

Other highlights of the BASH included the games and raffles in which more than \$40,000 in prizes provided by local businesses was given away. The top prize was a 24-month Kia Cadenza lease, courtesy of Bill Doraty Kia.

The event was planned by a volunteer committee led by Devon Diello and Sharon McFadden. An additional 20 volunteers, including students from Highland High School, made the evening seamless.

Please visit the Medina Hospital Foundation’s Facebook page for more photos and lists of prizewinners and generous sponsors who helped make the evening a great success.



At left, Shea Sohovich of Bill Doraty Kia with Grand Prize Winner Kenyon Mau. At right, hospital President Richard Shewbridge, MD, enjoying the dance.

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