In Honor of William S. Perper

The Perper Foundation has generously provided funding over ten years for the William S. Perper Healthy Community Partnership National Symposium. This annual symposium honors William “Bill” Perper’s legacy of helping those less fortunate.

Through a commitment to his faith community in New York, Bill understood the potential for clergy and lay leaders to improve health and chronic disease management in vulnerable populations nationwide. Building healthy communities through medical and religious partnerships was an area of interest for Bill, who believed that people needed to become actively involved in their own health care and overall fitness for a better quality of life.

Over the years that many of us at Johns Hopkins Bayview got to know Bill, he always expressed gratitude for the care and attention that was given to him as a patient. Consistent with his unassuming and personal way, Bill continues to make a lasting impression on the Medical Center through the William S. Perper Healthy Community Partnership National Symposium.

Healthy Community Partnership

The Healthy Community Partnership grew out of relationships that Johns Hopkins Bayview developed with a number of area religious congregations. Embracing the principles of dialogue, mutual education and respect, these partnerships support initiatives that improve access to medical care; offer educational programs on timely health topics; and equip individuals and groups with the resources and tools they need to be stronger advocates for good health and medical care.

6th Annual William S. Perper Faith-Health Symposium

Depression, Trauma, Addiction: Demystifying Demons

Friday, October 27, 2017
8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church
7 W. 55th Street, New York, NY 10019
Program

8:30 a.m.  Registration, Continental Breakfast and Resource Fair

9:30 a.m.  Welcome
Rev. Scott Black Johnston, Ph.D.
Senior Pastor, Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church
Richard G. Bennett, M.D.
President, Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center

Recognition of William S. Perper Foundation
W. Daniel Hale, Ph.D.
Special Advisor to the President
Director, Healthy Community Partnership
Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center

Introductions and Overview of Topics
Rev. Paula Teague, D.Min.
Senior Director, Department of Spiritual Care and Chaplaincy
Johns Hopkins Health System
Rev. Christopher Brown
Director, Clinical Pastoral Education and Community Chaplain
Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center

10 a.m.  Recognizing and Responding to Depression
W. Daniel Hale, Ph.D.

11 a.m.  Break

11:15 a.m.  Trauma and the Resurgence of Hope
Anita M. Wells, Ph.D.
Associate Professor, Department of Psychology
Morgan State University

12:15 p.m.  Lunch and Resource Fair

1:15 p.m.  Musical Performance
Ryan Jackson, D.M.A.
William S. Perper Director of Music and Fine Arts Ministries
Claire Myers McCormick
Soprano

1:30 p.m.  Addiction: We Should All Understand and Help
Michael I. Fingerhood, M.D.
Associate Professor of Medicine
Chief, Division of Chemical Dependence
Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center

2:30 p.m.  Wrap Up and Closing Remarks
Rev. Kate Dunn
Associate Pastor for Congregational Care and Outreach
Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church

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