



# Husky Urology: The Story of Urology at the University of Connecticut

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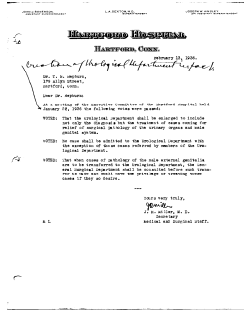
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**Dr. Thomas N. Hepburn**

Co-founder of the Department of Urology (together with **Dr. Bernard Spillane**) at Hartford Hospital January 22, 1936. He was succeeded by **Dr. Richard J Spillane** who worked with Dr. Sigman to institute resident training at HH. **Dr. Douglas Viets** is currently the department chairman.



## Hartford Hospital



Established 1854

**Dr. Eugene Sigman** came to the University of Connecticut from Buffalo NY in 1968 and became the first Division Chief of Urology. Shortly after he established the urology residency program – a five year training program with two residents per year. He worked to merge the independent educational programs of six regional hospitals into a single unified training program. Residents originally rotated through Hartford, St. Francis, New Britain, Newington VA, Newington Children's and McCook Hospitals. **Dr. Myron Walzak** became the second division chief and program director in 1981. During his 16 year tenure, UCHC, SFH, HH, and CCMC became the sole sites for resident training. **Dr. Peter Albertsen** arrived at UCONN in 1987 and became the third Division Chief and Program Director ten years later. He expanded the program to ten residents per year with one year of general surgery and four of urology. UCONN has graduated 64 residents, 23 who have gone on to urologic fellowships



**Dr. Peter Albertsen Urology Division Chief and Program Director**

## John Dempsey / UCONN Health Center



Established in 1975

## UCONN UROLOGY RESIDENTS ~ PAST AND PRESENT

R. James Graydon, Matthew G Ely, James Boyle, Arthur Lamontagne, Howard Hochman, Neil Bander, Joseph Spinella, Thomas Staley, Dilmer Diaz, Joseph Chang, Jacob Zamstein, Paul Barber, John Conant, Douglas Whittemore, Rafael Wurzel, Jeffrey Wolk, Jay Bloch, Peter D'Addario, John Graham, Steve Hoogasian, Axel Anderson, Raphael Cooper, Steve Scionti, Steve Brooks, Keith Kaplan, David Oselinsky, Steve Shichman, John Reisman, Jeffrey Small, Thomas Londergan, Aubrey Chung, Chester Graham, John Mulhall, John Naitoh, Thomas Kolon, Selina Arle, Leigh Bergmann, Erol Onel, Fernando Ferrer, Theodore Afue, Marlene Murphy Setzko, Willie Underwood, Tracey Small Wilson, Jeffrey Wong, CD Anthony Herndon, Scott Matson, Philip Wong, Marvalyn Decambre, Christine Kim, Eric Schwartz, Brian Kessler, Kisseng Hsieh, Carlos Medina, Tait Fors, Charles Viviano, Alisa Berger, Tricia Greene, Edward Meyer, Brian Irwin, Barbara Ercole, Sarah Marietti, Andrew Nisbet, Serge Ginzburg, Puneeta Ramachandra, Anne Suskind, Cory Harris, David Chalmers, Adam Tyson, Kristina Wittig, Kelly Chiles, Hoyt Doak, Stephanie Rubino, Kristen Scarpato, Brian Kapp, Gillian Wolff



The Connecticut State animal is the Sperm Whale (Physeter Macrocephalus)

## St. Francis Hospital



Established 1897

**Dr. Brendan Fox** was the Chief of Urology when Dr. Sigman established SFH as one of UCONN's residency training sites. **Dr. Hugh Kennedy** is currently the site director for residents.

Dr. Sigman established connections with **Dr. George Klauber** at Newington Children's Hospital to facilitate pediatric urology training. In 1996, CCMC became the site for all pediatric urology training with 5 full time faculty under the direction of **Dr. Fernando Ferrer**.

## Connecticut Children's Medical Center



Established 1996