situation, every circumstance, every patient is met with the same care and concern and full resources of our amazing team. Second, everyone who responded said that the TEAM at Harborview makes them love their jobs, makes the place “work” and is what makes our Trauma, Burn and Critical Care Surgery Division among the best in the country. It is not a singular effort and it has taken many people over a long time to make it the powerhouse it is today.

And, it is a powerhouse. It is strong clinically; the place for people in over a quarter of the US landmass to come with life–threatening conditions. Educationally, it is strong also: our surgeons are gifted educators, training some of the finest surgical leaders of tomorrow. Research is robust, spanning the range of scientific investigation – from bench research to clinical trials, outcomes, and translational research that lead to changes in society, to safer behavior and products.

Under the leadership of Dr. Bulger and Dr. Gibran, the Level 1 Trauma Center and the Regional Burn Center are at the forefront of patient care, education and research. And Dr. Ron Maier, our peerless Chief of Surgery at HMC and the Division Chief, has nurtured, grown and steered the whole program into the force for good that it is today.

In keeping with the focus on HMC, we introduce Dr. Sam Mandell’s prolific research portfolio and and we talked with Dr. Nicole Gibran for our “Getting to Know DoS” feature. I think you will enjoy learning more about this Division and our amazing people.

You will also learn of all the honors and awards and media “mentions” of our faculty and residents, read short bios of our newest faculty, enjoy learning about our “Doctor for a Day” program, and find out what The Harkins Society (our alumni association) has been up to. I invite you to enjoy this issue of Surgery Synopsis.

Sincerely,

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