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Georgia Southern University Establishes Medical Managers Advisory Committee

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Georgia Southern University has established a Medical Managers Advisory Committee to provide guidance on future offerings within its Division of Continuing Education and Public Service.

The new committee, selected from professional medical office personnel, will advise Georgia Southern University on developing customized workforce development training for medical offices throughout the region.

The committee members include:

Stefferdy Barlow, office manager, Family Internal Medicine Associates

Kathy Biggers, office manager, Southern OB/GYN

- Mary Collins, office manager, Statesboro OB/GYN Specialists
- Wendy Doty, office manager, Dr. McGibony & Dr. Proctor
- Dick Farr, office manager, East Georgia Orthopedic Center
- JoAnne Furman, office manager, Statesboro Ear Nose Throat and Hearing
- Melody Lightsey, office manager, Bulloch Pediatrics Group
- Connie Wimmer, office manager, Statesboro Neurosurgery

“Georgia Southern University offers a wide variety of development and training programs for businesses throughout the Southeast,” said Tony Bretti, Ed.D., director of Continuing Education and assistant dean of Continuing Education and Public Service at Georgia Southern University. “The medical field continues to grow and we have received increased interest from medical office management to create training programs that will support their offices’ professional development.”

The Georgia Southern University, Continuing Education and Public Service, Medical Managers Advisory Committee has been established to help guide the Continuing Education and Public Service Division in its goal of bringing customized workforce development training to medical offices throughout our region. In conjunction with the Medical Managers Advisory Committee, Georgia Southern is developing a series of programs to support medical professionals in the areas of supervisory leadership, interpersonal communication, office management, human resource skills, time management, and decision-making skills, to name a few.

“Our goal is to develop and offer programs that will meet the training needs and budgets of our region’s employers,” said Bretti. “There is a definite need to offer qualified training to prepare medical office professionals to manage today’s complex medical office operations. With the assistance of our advisory committee, we will examine which courses to offer that may directly relate to the training needs of medical offices in our region.”

For more information on available programs, please visit: <http://ceps.georgiasouthern.edu> or call 912-478-5118.

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Bright Idea Will Help Georgia Southern University Save Energy

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Georgia Southern University is teaming up with Georgia Power to bring new light to campus.

A project to "re-lamp" Georgia Southern, the first initiative of its kind in the University System of Georgia, will help the campus save energy. It will also bring students, administrators, faculty and staff together to participate in a campus sustainability project.

Starting next week, students will install energy-efficient light bulbs in offices and conference rooms throughout campus.

All incandescent bulbs will be replaced with new Compact Fluorescent Lamps (CFLs) in the accent/desk/floor primary

lamps.

"This project gives students the opportunity to be a part of the solution to our climate issues and energy waste and it is literally as easy as changing a light bulb," said Dr. Lissa Leege, Director of the Office of Sustainability in the Allen E. Paulson College of Science and Technology. "By informing office occupants about CFLs and their value, students take on the role of educators and it is by teaching and by doing that we truly learn."

As part of his visit to campus on Feb. 16, actor and activist Ed Begley Jr. will participate in the re-lamping kickoff. Begley will join Georgia Southern President Bruce Grube, University staff and students, and Georgia Power representatives for a brief ceremony at 2:15 at the Marvin Pittman Administration Building, followed by time for questions from the media.

CFL bulbs provided by Georgia Power will be installed in 19 buildings next week in the first of four phases to "re-lamp" the entire Georgia Southern campus. The entire project involves the installation of more than 2,000 of the energy-efficient bulbs.

'If every American home replaced just one light bulb with an Energy Star CFL bulb, we would save enough energy to light more than three million homes for a year, save more than \$600 million in annual energy costs and prevent greenhouse gases equivalent to the emissions of more than 800,000 cars," said Monique Dipple, Georgia Southern University's Sustainability Coordinator.

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