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Great excitement at Holberton Coding School as they launched their 2nd cohort at the Healthcare Innovation Center!

We're delighted to welcome Holberton's students to our center, where they participate in classes and immerse themselves in stimulating projects. Our facility becomes an energetic and collaborative hub for learning as students explore the realm of software engineering. Holberton is proud to contribute to this educational endeavor, providing an environment conducive to the enhancement of technical skills. We're honored to serve as the nurturing ground where future talents in the tech industry blossom!



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SCIENTIFIC INNOVATION NIGHTS

On February 15th, we had the pleasure of hosting our third Scientific Innovation Night, a remarkable event showcasing the incredible power of collaboration. It was an evening filled with enlightening discussions and profound insights shared by our distinguished speakers: Dr. Kyrsha Gorbea, Dr. Noé Crespo, and Mr. Jaime Maestre. Their presentations not only illuminated the latest advancements in their respective fields but also emphasized the importance of interdisciplinary cooperation in driving innovation forward. We were truly inspired by their passion and dedication to advancing scientific knowledge.



Dr. Noé Crespo

Fueling Life Sciences Entrepreneurship



Dr. Kyrsha Gorbea

Unlocking the Mysteries of Hermansky-Pudlak Syndrome



Mr. Jaime Maestre

Innovation in Hospital Administration

Mark your calendar for our upcoming Scientific Innovation Night, scheduled for **Thursday, May 16th** at **6 p.m.**

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Ponce Health Sciences University Celebrates Senior Student Match Day at the Healthcare Innovation Center

On March 15th, the Healthcare Innovation Center (HIC) was the venue for the Senior Student Match Day of the Ponce Health Sciences University (PHSU). This highly anticipated event marked a significant milestone in the academic and professional journey of the graduating students, who have dedicated years of hard work and dedication to their medical education. With eager hearts and hopeful spirits, students gathered at our facility to receive the long-awaited news of their future placements within the healthcare field.



For these aspiring healthcare professionals, Match Day symbolized not only the beginning of their careers but also a testament to their unwavering commitment to excellence in medicine. The Senior Student Match Day at the HIC served as a poignant reminder of the transformative power of education and the profound impact that these future healthcare leaders will undoubtedly have on the communities they serve.

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Empowering Women: Highlights from the 2nd Women Plus Encounter

On March 21st, the Women Entrepreneurs Committee of the Chamber of Commerce of Southern Puerto Rico held the 2nd Women Plus Encounter at our center. This empowering event brought together women from various sectors to celebrate their achievements and contributions to the business community. Attendees enjoyed engaging discussions, networking opportunities, and presentations highlighting the successes and challenges faced by women in entrepreneurship. The event also featured the recognition of outstanding women who have excelled in their respective fields.

Innovative Care Solutions (ICS)



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Clinical SN Mobile App Moves from testing to Production Phase

We are thrilled to share that the Clinical SN mobile application has successfully concluded its testing phase and is now live in production, and available for public use. Clinical SN represents a pioneering platform aimed at fostering connections among users while facilitating the seamless exchange of health information with their closest contacts. This milestone marks a significant step forward in our mission to revolutionize the way individuals engage with healthcare technology.

Now, with the testing phase behind us and the transition into production, we are entering a collaborative phase with Ponce Health Sciences University (PHSU). In this new stage, a select group from PHSU will utilize the app, providing us with critical feedback. This invaluable input will be key in driving future updates, ensuring that Clinical SN not only meets but exceeds user expectations, furthering our commitment to transforming healthcare interaction."

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Revolutionizing Patient Care: HIC's NIH SBIR Grant Application Paves the Way for Enhanced Communication and Integration in Chronic Disease Management

On January 5, 2024, the HIC submitted an NIH SBIR Grant Application to the National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences (NCATS). The grant proposal titled "*Clinical Social Network: Enhance care communication and information integration for chronic disease patients using a mobile app*" was accompanied by collaborations with the PHSU-Wellness Center, Ponce Medical School Foundation, Triple S, and the Primary Health Association of Puerto Rico (ASPPR). This initiative aims to revolutionize patient care by leveraging mobile technology to facilitate communication and integrate vital health information, particularly for those managing chronic diseases. Through strategic partnerships with leading healthcare institutions and organizations in Puerto Rico, HIC seeks to advance healthcare accessibility and quality for the benefit of the community.

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CIRACET ASSET MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Introducing CIRACET Asset Management System (CAMS): Streamlining Maintenance Management in the Cloud

CAMS 6.6.4

Is an advanced version of the Ciracet Asset Management System, designed to enhance the management of medical equipment in healthcare environments. This cloud-based platform improves inventory tracking, maintenance planning, and compliance oversight, customized for the unique needs of healthcare facilities. It aims at boosting operational efficiency and the reliability of medical equipment.

CAMS 7.0

CAMS 7.0 is anticipated to launch later this year, featuring enhancements to its interface to create an enhanced user experience. This latest version of CAMS promises a more intuitive and streamlined interface, aimed at improving user interaction and productivity. Stay tuned for updates as we prepare to unveil CAMS 7.0 and its exciting new features!

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ICS Research Institute



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Breaking Ground in Healthcare Innovation: Introducing the ICS Research Institute

The ICS Research Institute (ICSRI) is a nonprofit organization devoted to bringing investment in new technology for future opportunities in the healthcare industry. The organization is founded on the evidence of a tremendous need for innovation in the healthcare industry.

The institute's mission is to promote healthcare solutions through cutting-edge research and transformative education. ICSRI is committed to fostering innovation, raising awareness, and advocating for the widespread adoption of technology to enhance healthcare outcomes. Through strategic partnerships, impactful research endeavors, and delivery of high-quality educational programs, ICSRI endeavors to catalyze positive change in the healthcare landscape.





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HIC Seeks Collaborative Opportunities with the Puerto Rico Science, Technology and Research Trust

Exciting developments are underway at the HIC as we explore collaborative opportunities with the Puerto Rico Science, Technology and Research Trust which includes: Colmena 66, Parallel, Puerto Rico Public Health Trust, Phase 1 Program, and SBIR-STTR Grant Program. With a shared vision for innovation and growth, HIC is actively engaging in discussions to identify mutual interests and areas of collaboration. By leveraging our collective expertise and resources, we aim to drive impactful initiatives that benefit our respective communities and contribute to the advancement of healthcare innovation.

Stay tuned for updates on this promising partnership as we work towards shaping a brighter future together.



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The Gynecologic Latina Databank (GyNa): Tackling women's health disparities through comprehensive datasets

Dr. Idhaliz Flores from PHSU, in partnership with the Healthcare Innovation Center, is leading a groundbreaking initiative under an NIH grant to develop "The Gynecologic Latina Databank (GyNa)." This project addresses the critical issue of insufficient, comprehensive data on gynecologic and reproductive health among Hispanic/Latina women, a group that has historically faced significant health disparities.

GyNa aims to establish a comprehensive databank by collecting diverse health data from a longitudinal cohort, targeting the pressing need for enhanced understanding and interventions in this area.

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San Lucas Hospital
Now a Proud Member of the HIC



We're thrilled to announce the exciting news that San Lucas Hospital has joined the Healthcare Innovation Center (HIC) community as a new member, marking a pivotal moment in our pursuit of healthcare excellence and innovation.

As we warmly welcome Hospital San Lucas, we look forward to the wealth of experience, dedication to outstanding patient care, and commitment to medical innovation they bring. This partnership promises to enhance our collective efforts to advance healthcare practices, foster knowledge sharing, and tackle the challenges of modern healthcare together.

Welcome to the HIC community, San Lucas Hospital! Together, we're ready to make significant progress in improving healthcare delivery and outcomes.

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Expanding Horizons: HIC Welcomes Puerto Rico Science Trust as New Members



We are delighted to extend a heartfelt welcome to the Puerto Rico Science Trust as they join our thriving community at the Healthcare Innovation Center. The addition of the organization brings a wealth of expertise and insights that will undoubtedly enrich our collaborative efforts in advancing healthcare innovation. We are eager to embark on this journey together, exploring new ideas, forging partnerships, and driving positive change in healthcare delivery.

Welcome aboard, Puerto Rico Science Trust! We are thrilled to have your esteemed presence as valued members of the HIC community.

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Annual Science, Health and Technology Fair 2024

The Annual Science, Health, and Technology Fair is an exciting event for high school students to showcase their ingenuity in science, health, and technology. This science fair provides a platform for young minds to explore their interests, engage in hands-on learning experiences, and demonstrate their creativity and problem-solving skills. Through interactive exhibits and presentations, participants not only share their discoveries but also inspire their peers and educators to explore these vital fields further. By fostering a culture of curiosity and collaboration, the fair promotes networking opportunities and encourages students to explore the latest developments in science, health, and technology. By recognizing and celebrating the achievements of young innovators, the Annual Science, Health, and Technology Fair serves as a catalyst for the future generation of scientists, health professionals, and technology leaders.

Date: Saturday, April 13
Time: 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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I-Corps PR: Cohort 17

I-Corps Puerto Rico is a program offered by Grupo Guayacán Inc., a non-profit organization established in 1996 with the mission of fostering entrepreneurship in Puerto Rico. Through their programs, they provide education, mentorship, and access to capital for local entrepreneurs.

I-Corps Puerto Rico is a multi-week boot camp designed to enable participating teams to swiftly and effectively validate the commercial viability of their business ideas. Through this intensive program, participants undergo a structured process that allows them to assess market potential, refine their value proposition, and identify key customer segments. By leveraging agile methodologies and hands-on mentorship, teams gain invaluable insights and refine their strategies, ultimately positioning themselves for success in the marketplace

Date: April 20 -21
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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