The Division of Pediatric Gastroenterology at MUSC Children’s Health fulfills its commitment to educate here and worldwide.

Happy New Year! We hope 2017 will be as fruitful to everyone as last year was to our Division. In 2016, our staff members traveled throughout the world, speaking at both national and international conferences and meetings.

Dr. Johanna Palmadottir shared her research experience on sarcopenia in pediatric Crohn’s disease with our local providers when she presented at Pediatric Grand Rounds on December 2, 2016. Her talk is archived and will be available online.

Dr. Nagraj Kasi, our team’s liver specialist, delivered two presentations locally. He presented “Liver Disease in Children” to the Society of Gastroenterology Nurses Association. He also spoke to MUSC’s Pediatric Residents regarding “Cholestasis in Children.”

Dr. Ricardo Arbizu, our GI motility super-specialist here at MUSC, presented at the Digestive Disease Center at MUSC on “Introduction to GI Motility and Manometry Testing.” In October, he co-chaired a medical roundtable on Medical Refractory Constipation with his mentor Dr. Samuel Nurko from Children’s Hospital Boston, at the World Congress of Pediatric Gastroenterology in Montreal, Canada.

Dr. Candi Jump presented “Enteral Nutrition in IBD” at MASPEN in Charlotte, NC in September. She also spoke at MUSC’s GI CME Conference regarding food allergies and intolerances. In March, Dr. Jump will be presenting “Enteral Nutrition in Pediatric Inflammatory Bowel Disease” at Pediatric Grand Rounds.

Our Division chief, Dr. Antonio Quiros presented in Montreal, Canada at the World Cup of Endoscopy during the 2016 World Congress of Pediatric Gastroenterology. “Evaluating Autoimmune Pancreatitis in Patient with Crohn’s disease and Systemic IgG4 Disease” covered a complete endoscopic approach to diagnosing and managing these patients, and included endoscopic ultrasound findings and interventional endoscopic cholangiopancreatography. Dr. Quiros also presented his work in endoscopic cholangiopancreatography as part of a larger collaborative effort at two other talks in the conference.

Locally, Dr. Quiros hosted a regional CME in Charleston on December 3, 2016. The conference, titled “Probiotics in Pediatric Abdominal Pain, What is the Evidence?” will be available via our website soon. Dr. Quiros also presented “Endoscopic Closure of Large Esophageal Perforation Using Expandable Fully-covered Metal Stents” at the International Society for Diseases of the Esophagus meeting in Singapore last September.

We look forward to another great year in 2017!