



Meet the House, Float and Infusion/PICC teams of MRHC!

Scheduling issue? Patient transfer? Start an IV? Nursing Administrator Jill Parham's team has you covered.

Members of this diverse group of clinicians work in all hospital units. They include nurses who are House Supervisors, staff the Float Pool, work in outpatient Infusion Services, or serve on the PICC team.

Because team members work in all hospital units, along with Logistics (see the February issue of MRHC Focus), they logically form a larger team of specialized staff.

"We assist with units and help nurses in every department," Parham said.

House Supervisors, for instance, coordinate bed assignments and transfers, respond to all codes, and make sure there are enough nurses on duty to care for our patients.

Our Float Pool includes critical care nurses who are oriented to each inpatient unit (as well as Emergency and Infusion) whose monthly assignments complete nursing unit rosters.

These individuals are also called upon for high patient census

shifts or to work for someone else who has called in sick.

"Float Pool nurses are flexible, well-rounded and experienced, and they enjoy variety," Parham said.

Then there is the PICC/Infusion team that specializes in IV and

catheter insertions and medication therapies. Infusion is for outpatient hydration, antibiotic therapy or other specialized medication; the PICC team inserts PICCs, starts IV, assists with sedation and "are the true jacks of all trades," Parham said.

Team Members

PICC/Infusion Services

Bonnie Curry, RN
Heidi McAlester, RN
June Miller, RN
Mike Noel, RN

JD Grissom, RN
Donna Henson, RN
Crystal Holman, RN

Lynette Shirley, RN
Sandra Whitlock, LPN

Float Pool

Amanda Blackwell, RN
Tiffany Davidson, RN
Hannah Martin, RN
Lavon Van Namee, RN

Nursing Scheduler
Angela Fite
Administrative Assistant
Lori Slater
Admit/Discharge Nurse
Kerry Honeycutt, RN

House Supervisor

Jill Parham, RN
Suni Dugan, RN

March Calendar

March 4

- ◇ Super Saturday Childbirth Class, MRHC 1-5 p.m. (Contact Tonya McAlester, RN, to sign up 918.448.8123)

March 10

- ◇ Emergency Center Project Groundbreaking, Employee Parking Lot 11 a.m.
- ◇ Foundation Murder Mystery Masquerade Ball, SE Expo Center (Call Ryan for tickets 918.470.2428)

March 11

- ◇ Kids Fair, SE Expo Center 10-2 (Be sure to visit the MRHC booths!)





Congratulations Melissa Peckio, ACM-RN, on her certification as an Accredited Case Manager by the National Board for Case Management! We are proud to have you on our team!

The Cigarette Tax proposal and what it means for MRHC

A bipartisan group of state lawmakers took a bold step last week.

Seventeen members of the House Appropriations and Budget Committee voted yes on a bill to raise the tax on a pack of cigarettes \$1.50.

The vote took courage. Nobody likes paying more taxes. But in this case, the benefits clearly outweigh the costs.

An Institute of Medicine report said increasing the cost of tobacco products is the "single most direct and reliable method for reducing consumption." In fact, when the price of cigarettes goes up 10 percent, teen smoking rates fall 15 percent.

Let me put it another way: this measure would stop more than 28,000 children in our state from becoming smokers. It means they will have healthier, happier lives.



MRHC CEO David Keith

Legislators don't get many chances to do so much good for this many people with one small change. I'm glad so many legislators did the right thing.

But the bill, House Bill 1841, still faces many hurdles. Because HB 1841 raises revenue, three-

fourths of the state House must approve the measure, not a simple majority.

You may hear some people say taxes like this one hurt poor people. That's a myth. Lower-income smokers are much more likely to quit or cut back when costs rise. In fact, they end up saving money.

Our state's health system benefits, too. The tax would bring in an estimated \$184 million a year to provide needed health care, including mental health services. But it also means Oklahoma could reduce the \$1.62 billion a year we spend to treat the many illnesses caused by smoking.

Everything at the state Capitol is complicated. But raising the tax on cigarettes shouldn't be. It would benefit people of all income levels and improve health for generations to come.

MRHC offers new Hospice

The latest expansion of MRHC is the opening of Southeast Hospice at 403 W. Carl Albert Pkwy. with supervising RN Kristin Murray. Helping to expand our continuum of care, the Hospice team includes Medical Director H. Zane DeLaughter, DO, and Kelly Squyres, RN, as Director. Jerrod Peterson is Chaplain. Welcome to MRHC, SE Hospice!



HINN and PFE networks help MRHC track success with patients

By Chelsea Bishop, BSN, RN
Quality Manager

MRHC has joined the Hospital Improvement Innovation Network (HIIN) Person & Family Engagement (PFE) Transformation Network. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services began tracking five metrics related to PFE in 2013. The last few years have revealed CMS has a growing commitment to utilize PFE as a strategy for improved outcomes, and transformation within health systems. The 5 PFE measures defined are as follows:

PFE 1: Implementation of a planning check list for patients known to have a planned admission to the hospital (e.g. for elective surgery)

PFE 2: Conducting shift change huddles and bedside reporting with patients and families

PFE 3: Designation of an accountable leader(s) in the hospital who is responsible for PFE

PFE 4: Hospitals have an active PFE Council/Committee or other committee(s) where patients are represented

PFE 5: One or more patient representatives serving on the hospital Board of Directors.

(The measures are not currently mandatory reportable measures by CMS)

The PFE Network will provide MRHC with tools, resources, and technical assistance, related to foundational, core and advanced content (Vizient, 2016). This will also afford collaboration across the Vizient members. MRHC is excited to begin this journey with our customers and look forward to working with the community.



RETIRED! Above, Icee Cokely (with Chief Nursing Officer and Chief Operations Officer Kim Stout, right) retired from her position at MRHC Home Health in February. Below, Barbara Edwards, RN, (with Stout and CEO David Keith) retired from her position in Rehabilitative Services at the end of January. Good luck, Ladies!



Education Calendar of Events

Source

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Basic Dysrhythmia 9a-4p Education Bldg	2	3	4
5	6	7 General Orientation 8a-4:30p SCR	8 General Orientation 8a-4:30p SCR	9 Clinical Orientation 8a-1p Education Bldg Meditech Training 1p-4:30p SCR	10	11
12	13	14 Balloon pump training	15 PALS Initial 9a-5p Education Bldg	16 PALS Initial 9a-5p Education Bldg	17	18
19	20	21 General Orientation 8a-4:30p SCR CPI Training 8a- 2:30p LCR Sitter Training 2:30p- 3:30p LCR Preceptor Training 8:30a-4p Education Bldg	22 General Orientation 8a-4:30p SCR Stroke Review 9a-11a Education Bldg	23 Clinical Orientation 8a-1p Education Bldg Meditech Training 1p-4:30p SCR	24	25
26	27	28 Basic Life Support 9a- 4p Education Bldg	29	30	31	

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS - Each month MRHC hosts employees celebrating birthdays for a special luncheon party. Look for your invitation during your birthday month from the MRHC Human Resources Department!



Celebrating March Birthdays at MRHC

3 North

Marivic Baker

Lora Brooks

Namath Farriell

Amy Jean

Jackie Riley

Ambulatory Surgery Center

Cynthia Clark

Iris Hallbert

Centralized Scheduling

Reba Heavy Runner

Jessica Shields

Diagnostic Imaging

Kathleen Manschreck

David Dobyns

Emergency Center Physicians

Dr. Frank DeMarco

Dr. Karen Siren

Environmental Services

Sabrina Gragg

George Rachal

Victoria White

Finance

Sherry Gray

Float Pool

Tiffany Davidson

Food & Nutrition Services

Brandon Busby

Earl Roberts

Sandra Trueblood

Tamara Unger

Human Resources

Lucy Muller

ICU

Jenna Harrison

Tessa King

Jocelyn Newton

Celma Sanders

Laboratory

Courtney Kosztur

Hailee Savely

Medical Records

Ashley Staton

Nursing Administration

Jennifer Chapman

Patient Access

Giovanna Hasty

Whitney Sparks

Patient Financial Services

Candace Melton

Dee Misrasi

Cheryl Yott

Perioperative Services

Doris Warren

Shirley Downs

Stephanie Flowers

Rehabilitative Nursing

Patti Hunt

Renal Dialysis

Lorei Durbin

Respiratory Services

Joseph Breedlove

Skilled Nursing

Tracy Beck

Sharon Brannon

Joseph Johnson

Denise Rippee

Therapy Services

Patricia McCarty

Katrina Miller

Women's & Children's Services

Amber Daniels

Shandy Schmitt

Robin Terrell

Wellness Center

Shelia Odell

Jonathan Taylor

Wound Care

Dr. Dennis Staggs

SOUTHEAST CLINIC Family Practice

Maraela Colburn

Obstetrics & Gynecology

Cassie Martin

Orthopedics

Kendra Davis

Physician Services

Tyra Rolan

Urgent Care

Ryan Livingston

Working Well

Jackie Turnbull