



News for George Regional Health System Employees

August 2015

Save the Date! 4th Annual **Pink Pumpkin Patch Breast Cancer Walk** set for October 3rd

Make plans to attend the 4th Annual breast cancer fundraiser set for the first Saturday in October. The 5K begins at 8:30 with the 1 Mile Fun Run starting a few minutes after. The pink pumpkin decorating contest will take place again this year as well, so get those creative ideas going! Each department is encouraged to decorate a pumpkin for a little friendly competition. Pumpkins are \$10. Entry for the race (5K or 1 Mile) is \$20 and includes a t-shirt. Entries and race routes will be available soon.



T-Shirt Decorating Contest

Have a cool idea for this year's Pink Pumpkin Patch 5K t-shirt? Send it in and you could win two *free* entries to the event, including two t-shirts. Design deadline is August 21st. Submit entries to schisholm@georgeregional.com or mail hard copies to the Marketing Department. For questions, call 601-947-0709.



Dr. Lewis to Offer Orthopedic Services at GRH

Joining Drs. Washington and Wittersheim of Bienville Orthopaedic, Matthew Lewis, M.D., will begin seeing patients in Lucedale on Wednesdays beginning August 19th. The group will now see patients three days each week (Monday, Wednesday, and Friday) at the George Regional Specialty Center from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Dr. Lewis received his medical degree from The University of Mississippi School of Medicine. He then completed a residency in Orthopaedic Surgery at the University of Missouri-Kansas City.



Welcome Dr. Collins!

Andrea Collins, M.D., recently joined the GRH Hospitalist program. Dr. Collins is a graduate of Johns Hopkins University where she received a Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Engineering. She earned her medical degree, followed by a residency, from the University of Mississippi Medical School.

The oldest of five children (two brothers and two adoptive brothers), Dr. Collins is a native of Tylertown, Ms. She recently bought a home in Lucedale and looks forward to becoming more involved in the community.

Relay for Life Wrap-up Meeting Set

Craig McKay, Community Manager for Relay for Life, has scheduled a wrap-up meeting for Tuesday, August 18 at 5:00. The meeting will be at Hardee's on Cowart Street in Lucedale. If any one is interested in participating and providing input for the 2016 Relay for Life, this is a great opportunity to become more involved. On the agenda to discuss is: new date for 2016 event, committee members, ideas, sponsorships, and teams.

New Wellness Center T-shirts are Here

New royal blue t-shirts with lime green lettering are available for \$15 at the Wellness Center.



NOTICE: Beginning in August, Community Urgent Care will be staffed with two healthcare providers to ensure patients are seen in a timely manner.



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Did You Know?

George Regional Hospital is the only Five Star Hospital in south Mississippi or South Alabama based on HCAHPS (Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems) ratings.

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services reports that on a scale from 1 to 10, patients rank George Regional Hospital higher than any other nearby hospital.

August is National Immunization Awareness Month

- It's important for kids to get their shots on schedule. Make an appointment for your child today.
- Protect yourself and the people around you – get a seasonal flu vaccine every year.
- Did you know? All adults need a Td booster shot every 10 years. Learn more about other shots.
- Did you know? Adults age 65 and older need to get a shot to prevent pneumonia.

Community Medical Center, Wiggins Primary Care, and Greene County Family Medical Clinic are available to take care of your children's back-to-school healthcare needs, including immunizations.