



PULSE

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NEWS OF INTEREST TO RPMH EMPLOYEES

EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR!!!!



Congratulations to Robin Rainey, our 2015 Employee of the Year! Robin came to us straight out of school from TSTC in December 2002 when she began her nursing career, Robin was nominated for EOM by a co-worker that commented "Robin is an employee you can count on and she is willing to step out of her specific job duties to help orient our new LVNs. She is patient and kind with them even though her patient load may already be very heavy for that day". She went on to mention that Robin is very caring and helpful with all of her patients and that she does a great job every day. Robin attended Sweetwater High School and TSTC West Texas where she graduated as a Vocational Nurse. She and her husband, Rodney, live in Sweetwater. Between the two of them, they have five children, Shaun, Shelton, Sabrina, Stephanie and Stacy, and 5 grandchildren, Teague, Laynie, Kaysen, JJ and Nolan. Congratulations Robin!!!!

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH



Congratulations to Kim Posey, our December Employee of the Month. Kim began working at RPMH as a Health Information Management Clerk in January 2008. Kim was nominated by a co-worker for employee of the month because she "is always ready to help, even when she is swamped." They continued by saying, "She participates in many activities that promote RPMH." Kim attended Sweetwater High School and TSTC West Texas in Sweetwater. Kim lives in Sweetwater and she has 3 children and 3 grandchildren. Thanks Kim, for making RPMH a better place!

SPECIAL DAYS



January 1 – Happy New Year!
January 18 – MLK Jr. Day

NEW EMPLOYEES



WELCOME!!!

WE'VE MOVED

SPECIAL MENTIONS



HENRIETTA



THE HIPAA HIPPO

Mindy Holster – Cardiopulmonary Services

Belma Hope - Admissions

Voluntarily Yours Gift Shop

Thanks to all who came out and shopped in the RPMH Gift Shop, Voluntarily Yours, during the Christmas Season. Over \$9000 of merchandise was sold that will benefit the hospital. Thank you for your continued support and keep shopping with us! We appreciate you all.

Annie Franklin
Jacklyn Brasuell
Judy Grice
Kali Sorrels
Keri Halford

Congratulations to Annie Franklin for receiving five mentions-she received a \$5.00 Wal-Mart gift card.

HIPAA FAQ

May another person pick up copies of records on an adult patient without an authorization?

HIPAA allows the disclosure of some forms of protected health information to another person when the patient is not present. Hospital procedure is for the patient to complete, sign and date an authorization for disclosure of information to another person. The authorization must clearly identify the other person who will be obtaining copies of the patient's record. The other person must also provide picture ID when picking up the records so that identity can be verified.

In some circumstances, i.e., the patient is incapacitated and the spouse or adult child is picking up a CD of the patient's x-rays, CT, MRI, etc., there are 2 criteria that must be met according to HIPAA. The information must be relevant to the involvement of the other person in the care of the patient (a caregiver). Second, the disclosure must be in the best interest of the patient, for example, to take to a doctor's appointment.

PATIENT OPINION POLL



"The staff was very friendly and professional. They made me feel comfortable and at ease."

"Kali Sorrells and Keri Halford were very nice and sweet. They were very professional and took great care of me."

"The staff on Med Surg was wonderful! Annie Franklin took very good care of me and the food was very good. The therapy I received was top notch!"

"I would like to thank Jacklyn Brasuell from the Lab for taking her time in drawing my blood. I have difficult veins and she was able to draw blood on the first try."

"Adrian Asevedo and Marcus Rosas, Floor Techs did a great job stripping and waxing the floor in the OR department. Many thanks for taking care of our department."

Thank you all so much for my great party. It was awesome!!! Thanks for 39 years of wonderful memories. All the employees are so special to me. Thanks for the beautiful tote, it is beautiful and I can't wait to use it! Love ya'll so much!!!

Love & Best Wishes,
Nancy Soles



Please join with us on Med-Surg in congratulating Ashley Morris on the completion of her RN program.

Ashley graduated this December with her RN, and has plans to further her education.

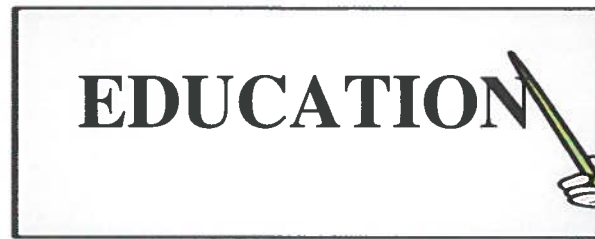
She has been a valued and trusted LVN on Med-Surg since January 2007. We are all so very happy for her!

We appreciate all Ashley has done for our patients and look forward to a long future with her.

Christine Baumann, RN
Med-Surg Nurse Manager



PROFESSOR ED



Online Education: health.edu, [growing up with us.com](http://growingupwithus.com), txhealthsteps.com

RPMH Forms Education: Growing Up with Us Newsletter, Medication Safety Alert, Nurse Advise, and Lots of educational reading for all departments

Healthcare Provider BLS: January 13th at 1 p.m., Cardiac Wellness Classroom

PALS Renewal: January 21st at 10 a.m., Cardiac Wellness Classroom

An additional class will be coming in February

ACLS Renewal: January 12th at 10 a.m., Cardiac Wellness Classroom

January 14th at 10 a.m., Cardiac Wellness Classroom

Remember to check bulletin boards and RPMH calendar for upcoming education!

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**MERRY
CHRISTMAS
FROM
RPMH!!!!**



CONGRATULATIONS ROBIN!!!!