HVCH volunteer appreciation lunch held

An appreciation lunch and education day recently was held for Hocking Valley Community Hospital volunteers. We appreciate all they do for us throughout the hospital. Together our volunteers have served more than 700 hours in 2017 so far.


EVENTS CALENDAR

Sept. 7-8: Uniform Sale
HVCH Meeting Room

Robert’s Uniforms will in the meeting rooms with scrub tops and bottoms as well as shoes and accessories available for purchase. HVCH employees may payroll deduct their purchases. Proceeds benefit HVCH.

Sept. 21: State of the Hospital Address, HVCH Front Lobby

Save the date for the annual hospital address at 5:30 p.m. followed by walking trail ribbon-cutting and guided tours and hors’ d’oeuvres.

Nov. 10: Auxiliary Book Sale
HVCH Meeting Room

Collective Goods will be in the meeting room from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. with books and other gift items available for purchase. Payroll deduct available for hospital employees. Proceeds benefit HVCH.

INSPIRATIONAL QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Our greatest glory is not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall.”

—Confucius
Year To Date Financial Results

Lower than anticipated patient volumes in both inpatient and outpatient services have generated poor financial results year to date through July. We are currently tracking 65 fewer than expected inpatient admissions, 445 fewer ER / Urgent Care patients and 8,900 outpatient procedures less than budgeted. Due to these lower volumes, we are $3 million below our Gross Revenue Budget expectations for the year.

We’ve also experienced higher than anticipated expenses as well. This is due to a higher number of patients who cannot or will not pay, therefore increasing our bad debt expense, as well as higher than anticipated employee health insurance claims. We are currently $450,000 over budget on our expenses. This has generated a -2% operating margin for the year.

Although this is a national trend that many of our peers are facing today, we must continue to look for ways to operate more efficiently and grow our patient volumes in order to sustain positive financial performance.

Please excuse our mess! The HVCH courtyard at the center of the hospital is currently under construction to resurface the area. The project was made possible through a $25,000 grant from the Logan-Holl Foundation and is expected to be complete within the next two weeks. Thanks again to the Logan-Holl Foundation for their contribution and we can’t wait to share the finished project!

The deepest principle of human nature is a craving to be appreciated.

William James

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Julie Grow, CFO
Hocking Valley Community Hospital receives Auditor of State Award

A recent financial audit of Hocking Valley Community Hospital by the Auditor of State’s office has returned a clean audit report. HVCH’s excellent record keeping has earned it the Auditor of State Award.

“HVCH’s clean audit confirmed a strong foundation that allows for accurate financial reporting and clear checks and balances that help to ensure we keep healthcare in Hocking County. We believe that good financial governance translates into better service delivery to our patients,” HVCH CFO Julie Grow said.

The Auditor of State Award is presented to local governments and school districts upon the completion of a financial audit. Entities that receive the award meet the following criteria of a “clean” audit report:

• The entity must file timely financial reports with the Auditor of State’s office in accordance with the GAAP (Generally Accepted Accounting Principals);
• The audit report does not contain any findings for recovery, material citations, material weaknesses, significant deficiencies, Single Audit findings or questioned costs;
• The entity’s management letter contains no comments related to:
  o Ethics referrals
  o Questioned costs less than $10,000
  o Lack of timely report submission
  o Reconciliation
  o Failure to obtain a timely Single Audit
  o Findings for recovery less than $100
  o Public meetings or public records

“Congratulations on receiving the Auditor of State Award,” David Yost, Ohio Auditor of State, said. “My office looks forward to continuing to work with you to ensure a clean, accountable and efficient government for all Ohioans.”

SAVE the DATE
Hocking County Opiate Town Hall Meeting

6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
October 4, 2017
Logan–Hocking Middle School
1 Middle School Drive
Logan, Ohio 43138

Keynote Speaker:
D’Anne Burwell, Best Selling Author
“SAVING JAKE - When Addiction Hits Home”

Wellness in Recovery 5K Sept. 23

The Wellness in Recovery 5K run/walk in Logan is Saturday, Sept. 23. All of the proceeds will go to support wellness activities for people on the road to recovery. There is a $25.00 entry fee for adults, $15 for students and $10 for children that includes a T-shirt if you register by Sept. 10.

The race begins at 9 a.m. at the Hocking County Courthouse at 1 E. Main St., Logan. Registration is from 8-8:45 a.m. Awards are given to the top three males and females in each division. Register online at www.allsportsraces.com/wellness-in-recovery-5k-run-walk.html.

START YOUR CAREER WITH HVCH TODAY!
Apply @ www.hvch.org

• Director, Rehabilitation Services (Physical/Occupational Therapist) - Full Time
• Housekeeper - Full Time
• Mental Health Tech (State Tested Nursing Assistant) - Contingent/PRN
• MRI Technician - Full Time - Days
• Painter/General Maintenance Assistant - Full Time
• Pharmacy Technician - PRN/Contingent
• Radiologic Technician - Part Time
• Registered Nurse (RN) - Contingent - E.D.
HVCH employee recognized for excellent service

Cherry Spelock was recently recognized for going the “Extra Mile” with all her patients. She demonstrates care and concern for our patients, as well as her fellow employees. Cherry is pictured with Stacey Gabriel, CNO and Michelle Matheny, ED Director

Be prepared for a flood situation

Know your Risk
Flooding is a temporary overflowing of water onto land that is normally dry. Flooding may happen with only a few inches of water, or it may cover a house to the rooftop. Flooding can happen in any U.S. state or territory. Flooding can occur during every season, but some areas of the country are at greater risk at certain times of the year.

Basic Safety Tips
• Turn Around, Don’t Drown!
• Avoid walking or driving through flood waters.
• Do not drive over bridges that are over fast-moving floodwaters. Floodwaters can scour foundation material from around the footings and make the bridge unstable.
• Just 6 inches of moving water can knock you down, and one foot of moving water can sweep your vehicle away.
• If there is a chance of flash flooding, move immediately to higher ground.
• If floodwaters rise around your car but the water is not moving, abandon the car and move to higher ground. Do not leave the car and enter moving water.
• Avoid camping or parking along streams, rivers, and creeks during heavy rainfall. These areas can flood quickly and with little warning.

Flood Watch = “Be Aware.” Conditions are right for flooding to occur in your area.
Flood Warning = “Take Action!” Flooding is either happening or will happen shortly.
HVCH is a 25-bed, critical-access hospital located in the city of Logan, Ohio, which serves residents in Hocking and surrounding counties. With more than 325 employees, our staff is here to serve the residents and visitors of our Hocking Valley community through various ancillary and emergency care services. HVCH is Joint Commission accredited, and we offer a wide range of primary, acute, and rehabilitative services. We are pleased to provide 24-hour emergency services to our patients through our ER and Urgent Care. Additionally, our surgical center, rehabilitation center, physical therapy clinic, pain control and wound clinic, imaging, laboratory, cardiovascular/cardiovascular, sleep clinic, geriatric psychiatric, and oncology services are also available. We are proud of our facility. HVCH is affiliated with OSUWMC, improving healthcare services to the Hocking and surrounding counties in the areas of general surgery and orthopaedics. HVCH also is a part of the Ohio State Health Network.