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"It is not because things are difficult that we do not dare; it is because we do not dare that they are difficult."

Seneca

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East Central Regional Hospital

From the Desk of the RHA - Paul Brock



ECRH's Nominated Candidates Selected for Management Academy

I am excited to inform you that each of our three nominated candidates for the DBHDD Management Academy were selected to participate in the Cohort 4 Program. Beginning January 14, 2016, Lynn Burke-Reyes, Incident Management Director, Shannon Lariscy, Community Integration Home

(CIH) Administrator, and Regenia Harrison, TIP Coordinator, began their management and leadership education journey. As participants in the Academy, each will be engaged in self-study, required readings, self and team assessments, lectures, and interactive classroom activities along with individual and team assignments.

In order for DBHDD to accomplish its vision and mission, it will need a well-equipped and informed workforce, which starts with effective management and leadership. Through this six-month challenging curriculum, leaders will receive excellent instruction from some of the best thought leaders Georgia has to offer in the areas of public sector management and leadership. At the conclusion of the program, graduates will be awarded a management certificate from UGA and be given the opportunity to use his/her newly refined skills to positively affect DBHDD's service delivery and outcomes. Please join me in congratulating Lynn, Shannon and Regenia.

Thank you!

Sincerely, Paul Brock

Tidbits of ECRH History

One can imagine how busy the HOUSEKEEPING DEPARTMENT of Georgia Regional Hospital at Augusta (now ECRH Augusta Campus) was in 1979 prior to the hospital receiving its first patient. The department staff cleaned 18,538 square yards of carpet, 657 windows, 2,,753 lights. WHEW!

Only one employee complaint: "I can wash the inside windows but not the outside windows. Too many wasps in the bushes!"

Along the way, the Housekeeping Department changed it's name to ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES and continues to do marvelous work.

Contributed by Brian Mulherin

New Employees



<u>Front Row(L-R):</u> Lisa Booker, CNA; Anita Hill, HST; Latoya Cooper, HST; Tiffany Wingate, CNA

<u>Back Row(L-R):</u> Patrice Bowie, CNA; Shurronda Owens, CNA; Jasmine White, HST; Gloria Smith, HST

Front Row(L-R): Chartavia Beal, Food Service Employee; Robin Carodine, Food Service Employee; Ella Bradford, Food Service Employee; Jessica Jones, CNA

<u>Back Row(L-R):</u> James Taylor, CNA; Christine Collins, Food Service Employee; **Natalie Herrington**, Training Specialist; **Monique Lee**, CNA





<u>Front Row(L-R):</u> Monica Cole, HST; Brianna Miller, CNA; Jennifer Oellerich, RN; Aquilla Smith, HST

<u>Back Row(L-R):</u> Joseph Myers, HST; John Lovett, CNA; John Utley, Housekeeper; Amber Hayes, HST

WELCOME

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HR Partners





Are you getting close to retirement?

Would you like to know more about your retirement plans?

Are you a GSEPS member?

Interested in learning about Peach State Reserves 401(k) or 457 plans?

ERS will be offering webinars to give you valuable information concerning your retirement plans. These are offered on a first-come-first-served basis. To enroll please use the web address below to schedule your session.

To register for a webinar please go to: http://www.ers.ga.gov/seminars/webinarschedule.html

Dates and times are subject to change.

Policy Reminders

Professional Licensure (DBHDD/HR Policy #22-2001)

All employees in positions which require licenses) including driver's licenses), certificates or registrations are responsible for ensuring these documents are current. Employees are responsible for renewing required licenses, certificates or registrations, as necessary. Failure to obtain or maintain valid licenses, certificates or registrations is a basis for separation of employment. Please review this policy via https://gadbhdd.policystat.com.

Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) (DBHDD/HR Policy #22-1001) *Management of Work Hours

- Supervisors are responsible for monitoring arrival and departure times of non-exempt employees to ensure accurate records are maintained and to minimize over-time worked.
- Supervisors are responsible for ensuring that all modifications and adjustments to employee's schedules are recorded accurately in time and attendance reporting.
- Non-exempt employees are required to accurately sign in and out using the approved time and attendance system when they arrive and leave their work areas. Non-exempt employees who fail to correctly record actual work time in accordance with the approved time and attendance system are subject to disciplinary action up to and including separation.

Other Employment (DBHDD/HR Policy # 22 -1203)

Employees are required to submit the Request for Approval of Other Employment form to their supervisor prior to beginning other employment. You should not begin other employment until you have received written approval from your supervisor, and an authorized official or designee. In addition, employees are required to notify their supervisor of any changes in previously approved other employment. Employees of ECRH are required to request approval of other employment on an annual basis.

Employee Assistance Program (EAP)

DBHDD has partnered with EAP Consultants. For more details and information, please visit the Website: www.eapconsultants.com and enter Company Code: *DBHDD*.

Pharmacy Notes



"Pharmacy for Nurses" Class:



ALL nurses are encouraged to attend the "Pharmacy for Nurses" class:

Gracewood Campus - Building 103B:

during New Employee Nursing Orientation

February 3, 2016 February 16, 2016 March 2, 2016 March 16, 2016 March 31, 2016

1:30pm - 2:30pm

Please contact Casandra Roberts or Adeola Oke in the Pharmacy for more information (ext. 2496)



Hazardous Drugs
which may be used at
East Central Regional Hospital



1. Antineoplastic drugs with manufacturers' safe handling guidance:

Hydroxyurea (Hydrea) 500mg Megestrol (Megace) - Liquid Methotrexate (Rheumatrex) 2.5mg Tamoxifen (Nolvadex) 10mg

2. Non-antineoplastic drugs that meet one or more of the NIOSH criteria for a hazardous drug including those with manufacturers' safe handling guidance (MSHG):

Pharmacy Notes

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Azathioprine (Imuran) 50mg

Medroxyprogesterone acetate (Provera)

Mycophenolate mofetil (Cellcept) 500mg

Progesterone (Prometrium)

Estrogens (Premarin = Conjugated Estrogens

Estrace = Estradiol 1 mg

3. Non-antineoplastic drugs that primarily have adverse reproductive effects:

Dutasteride (Avodart)

Finasteride (Proscar) 5mg

Misoprostol (Cytotec) 100mcg; 200mcg

<u>Medication Administration and Standard Precautions</u> – Nursing utilizes standard precautions prior to, during, and after medication administration of hazardous medication (e.g., washes/sanitizes hands before setting up medications, wears gloves during administration, washes/sanitizes hands after administration, discards safety needles uncapped in approved sharps container immediately after giving injection, etc.). Refer to Medication Administration Policy 03-553.

The list of hazardous drugs will be updated periodically as new drugs are added to the NIOSH website.

ECRH Incident Management Hotline Procedure

The purpose of this Hotline is to establish an alternate means of reporting incidents in a timely manner. The Hotline is to be utilized by any employee, contractor, family member, visitor and volunteer that may feel uncomfortable reporting an incident or allegation of abuse, exploitation or neglect in person. This is an <u>alternate</u> reporting system and by no means replaces the current protocol outlined in the Incident Management Policy.

Hotline Number: (706) 945-7150





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Safety Shop

Staff Urged to Minimize or Postpone Driving During Severe Winter Weather

We want to remind our staff about the importance of avoiding driving during inclement weather, and also provide some tips on being prepared – in case you must travel.

Being prepared and staying informed about bad driving conditions are the first steps in avoiding potentially life-threatening situations. While it is not recommended to drive during severe winter weather, it's important that you know what to do in case you must get on the road or if you get caught in bad weather unexpectedly.



If you must drive:

- Maintain at least a half tank of gas during the winter season.
- Keep an extra Ready kit in the trunk of your car. In addition to the basic essentials, consider adding a portable cell phone charger, ice scraper, extra blanket, sand for traction and jumper cables.
- Follow directions from local officials about driving during snow and ice storms, and drive with caution.
- SLOW DOWN to at least half your normal speed and use a low gear as you drive.
- Don't stop when going up a hill. Build some momentum on a flat roadway before you take on the hill.
- Do not use cruise control and avoid abrupt steering maneuvers.
- Be mindful of road crews working to clear the snow and ice from the roadway.
- Motorists should not pass a dump truck spreading the salt/gravel mixture, as gravel may bounce up and could break windshields. Follow at least 100 feet behind all vehicles.
- If you come to a traffic signal that is not working, treat it as a four-way stop.
- Beware of black ice, especially on bridges, overpasses and shady areas. Four-wheel-drive may help your vehicle
 get going in the slushy stuff, but it's of no use when you're trying to steer or safely stop on a slippery road surface.
- Watch for fallen trees or power lines.
- If at any point during your trip you feel that the weather is too bad to continue driving, simply stay put.

Stopped or Stalled?

- Remain in your vehicle where rescuers are most likely to find you. Do not set out on foot unless you can see a building close by where you know you can take shelter.
- Don't idle for a long time with the windows up or in an enclosed space.
- Run the engine and heater about 10 minutes each hour to keep warm and to conserve your battery and gasoline. When the engine is running, open a downwind window slightly for ventilation and periodically clear snow from the exhaust pipe. This will protect you from possible carbon monoxide poisoning.
- Exercise to maintain body heat, but avoid overexertion.

<u>HELP ME HELP YOU</u> make ECRH a safe place for our individuals, visitors, and staff. For safety related issues, contact Kenneth Hillman at 790-2400.

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Occupational Health - Glaucoma





Glaucoma is an <u>eye disorder</u> often associated with a dangerous buildup of internal eye pressure (<u>intraocular pressure</u> or IOP), which can damage the eye's <u>optic nerve</u> that transmits visual information to the brain. If untreated or uncontrolled, glaucoma first causes <u>peripheral vision loss</u> and eventually can lead to blindness. The most common type of glaucoma is <u>primary open-angle glaucoma</u>. Open-angle glaucoma is three times more likely to affect African-Americans, compared with non-Hispanic whites in the United States, and blindness from glaucoma is at least six times more prevalent among African-Americans than non-Hispanic whites. Glaucoma is the second leading cause of blindness behind cataracts.

Glaucoma Symptoms: Called the "silent thief of sight,"; most types typically cause no pain and produce no symptoms until noticeable vision loss occurs. It often progresses undetected until the optic nerve already has been irreversibly damaged, with varying degrees of permanent vision loss. With <u>Acute angle-closure glaucoma</u>, symptoms occur suddenly and can include blurry vision, halos around lights, intense <u>eye pain</u>, nausea and vomiting. If you have these symptoms, make sure you see an eye care practitioner or visit the emergency room immediately so steps can be taken to prevent permanent vision loss.

Diagnosis, Screening and Tests for Glaucoma: During routine <u>eye exams</u>, a tonometer is used to measure your intraocular pressure, or IOP. An abnormally high IOP reading indicates a problem with the amount of fluid (<u>aqueous humor</u>) in the eye. Either the eye is producing too much fluid, or it's not draining properly. Normally, IOP should be below 21 mmHg (millimeters of mercury) — a unit of measurement based on how much force is exerted within a certain defined area. If your IOP is higher than 30 mmHg, your risk of vision loss from glaucoma is 40 times greater than someone with intraocular pressure of 15 mmHg or lower.

Other methods of monitoring glaucoma are: scanning laser polarimetry (SLP), optical coherence tomography (OCT) and confocal scanning laser ophthalmoscopy to create baseline images and measurements of the eye's optic nerve and internal structures.



Visual field testing is a tool used at intervals to test peripheral vision to determine vision loss from glaucoma and/or developing blind spots from damage to the optic nerve.

Gonioscopy/Biomicroscopy are tools used to evaluate the structure inside the eye (called the drainage angle) that controls the outflow of aqueous and thereby affects intraocular pressure.

Types of Glaucoma: form of glaucoma is present at birth; difficult to diagnose. Be mindful of a cloudy, white, hazy, enlarged orchronic or primary open-angle glaucoma (gradually reduces your peripheral vision without other symptoms), Angle-closure glaucoma (produces sudden symptoms such as eye pain, headaches, halos around lights, dilated pupils, vision loss, red eyes, nausea and vomiting), Normal-tension glaucoma (can cause visual field loss due to optic nerve damage), Pigmentary glaucoma (rare form, caused by pigment that has broken away from iris that blocks the drainage angle of the eye with may cause inflammation), Secondary glaucoma (may occur following eye injury; infection, inflammation, a tumor or enlargement of the lens due to a cataract), Congenital glaucoma inherited protruding eye in your child

Glaucoma Treatments: May involve glaucoma surgery, lasers or medication (eye drops), depending on the severity. Because glaucoma often is painless, people may become careless about strict use of eye drops that can control eye pressure and help prevent permanent eye damage. In fact, non-compliance with a program of prescribed glaucoma medication is a major reason for blindness caused by glaucoma.

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Occupational Health - Glaucoma

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Glaucoma Prevention: Researchers in the U.K. found that higher levels of physical exercise appear to provide a long-term benefit of reducing the incidence of low ocular perfusion pressure (OPP), an important risk factor for glaucoma. OPP is a mathematical value that is calculated using a person's intraocular pressure and his or her blood pressure. "It appears that OPP is largely determined by cardiovascular fitness. Maintaining an active lifestyle appears to be an effective way for people to reduce their risk of glaucoma and many other serious health problems.



Information Taken From: allaboutvision.com

Safety Care Tidbit - Safety Habits: Distance

The habits we follow while working are important. Here are some tips about maintaining your distance that everyone should use, all the time, when at work near potentially dangerous individuals.



Tips:

- Avoid moving into someone's personal space unexpectedly.
- Everyone has different preferred personal space boundaries, and those can change depending on the situation. If you're not sure, a good rule of thumb is about 2 arm's lengths in front or behind; or 1.5 arm's lengths to the side.
- In order to appear less intrusive, turn your side, rather than your front to the person.

Training at a Glance - February

Class	Date	Time	Place
NEO Principles of Recovery	2/1/2016	9:30 a.m10:30 a.m.	BLDG 103-D E&R
NEO PNS Professional	2/1/2016	8:00 a.m12:00 p.m.	BLDG 103-C Lab
NEO PNS End User	2/1/2016	12:30 p.m4:30 p.m.	BLDG 103-D E&R
Updated Safety Care Level #2	2/1/2016 2/2/2016	8:00 a.m4:30 p.m. 8:00 a.m12:00 p.m.	BLDG 99L
NEO Infection Control and Prevention+Handwashing	2/2/2016	9:00 a.m10:30 a.m.	BLDG 103-D E&R
CPRC	2/2/2016	8:00 a.m12:00 p.m.	BLDG 103-C ROOM C-23
DD-Incident Management Annual	2/2/2016	7:30 a.m9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m11:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m2:30 p.m. 2:30 p.m4:30 p.m.	Bldg. 20 Gracewood Bldg. 20 Gracewood Bldg. 20 Gracewood Bldg. 20 Gracewood
Updated Seizure Management	2/2/2016	1:00 p.m2:30 p.m. 3:00 p.m4:30 p.m.	BLDG 103-C Room C-23
NEO Safety Care Level #1	2/3/2016 2/4/2016	8:00 a.m4:30 p.m. 8:00 a.m12:00 p.m.	BLDG 99F
NEO Safety Care Level #2	2/3/2016 2/4/2016 2/5/2016	8:00 a.m4:30 p.m. 8:00 a.m4:30 p.m. 8:00 a.m12:00 p.m.	BLDG 99L
CPRA	2/3/2016	8:00 a.m11:30 a.m.	BLDG 103-C ROOM C-23
First Aid	2/32016	12:30 p.m4:30 p.m.	BLDG 103-C ROOM C-23
EMR Nursing	2/3/2016	8:00 a.m1:30 p.m.	BLDG 103-C Room C-18
NEO PBS Training	2/3/2016	8:00 a.m12:00 p.m.	BLDG 20 Gracewood
Ostomy DD Training	2/3/2016	12:30 p.m4:30 p.m.	BLDG 103-C Lab
DD-Incident Management Annual	2/3/2016	7:30 a.m9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m11:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m2:30 p.m. 2:30 p.m4:30 p.m. 4:30 p.m6:30 p.m.	All will be in BLDG 103-D E&R
Infection Control and Prevention+ Handwashing	2/3/2016	8:00 a.m9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m11:30 a.m.	BLDG 103-C Lab
DD-Incident Management Annual	2/4/2016	7:30 a.m9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m11:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m2:30 p.m. 2:30 p.m4:30 p.m.	All will be in BLDG 103-D E&R
Defensive Driving	2/4/2016	8:00 a.m2:30 p.m.	BLDG 103-C ROOM C-23
Updated PNS Professional	2/4/2016	9:00 a.m11:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m3:00 p.m.	BLDG 103-C Lab
First Aid	2/5/2016	8:00 a.m-12:00 p.m.	BLDG 103-C ROOM C-23

Training at a Glance - February

Class	Date	Time	Place
CPRA	2/52016	1:00 p.m4:30 p.m.	BLDG 103-C
			ROOM C-23
Updated PNS End User	2/5/2016	8:00 a.m9:00 a.m.	BLDG 103-C
		9:00 a.m10:00 a.m.	Room C-23
		10:00 a.m11:00 a.m.	
Infection Control and Prevention+ Hand-	2/5/2016	8:00 a.m9:30 a.m.	BLDG 103-C
washing		10:00 a.m11:30 a.m.	Lab
DD-Incident Management Annual	2/5/2016	7:30 a.m9:30 a.m.	Bldg. 20, Gracewood
		9:30 a.m11:30 a.m.	Bldg. 20, Gracewood
		12:30 p.m2:30 p.m.	Bldg. 20, Gracewood
		2:30 p.m4:30 p.m.	Bldg. 20, Gracewood
NEO CPRA	2/8/2016	8:00 a.m11:30 a.m.	BLDG 103-C
			Room C-23
NEO CPRC	2/8/2016	8:00 a.m12:00 p.m.	BLDG 103-C
			Lab
NEO First Aid	2/8/2016	12:30 p.m4:30 p.m.	BLDG 103-C
			Room C-23
Infection Control and Prevention+ Hand-	2/8/2016	1:00 p.m2:30 p.m.	BLDG 103-D
washing		3:00 p.m4:30 p.m.	E&R
Updated Seizure Management	2/8/2016	8:00 a.m9:30 a.m.	BLDG 103-D
		10:00 a.m11:30 a.m.	E&R
DD-Incident Management Annual	2/8/2016	7:30 a.m9:30 a.m.	Bldg. 20, Gracewood
		9:30 a.m11:30 a.m.	Bldg. 20, Gracewood
		12:30 p.m2:30 p.m.	Bldg. 20, Gracewood
		2:30 p.m4:30 p.m.	Bldg. 20, Gracewood
Updated Safety Care Level #2	2/8/2016	8:00 a.m4:30 p.m.	BLDG 99L
	2/9/2016	8:00 a.m12:00 p.m.	
NEO Medical Emergency Response Sys-	2/9/2016	8:00 a.m12:00 p.m.	BLDG 103-C
tem			Room C-23
NEO Seizure Management	2/9/2016	12:30 p.m2:30 p.m.	BLDG 103-D
			E&R
DD-Incident Management Annual	2/9/2016	7:30 a.m9:30 a.m.	Bldg. 20, Gracewood
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		12:30 p.m2:30 p.m.	Bldg. 20, Gracewood
		2:30 p.m4:30 p.m.	Bldg. 20, Gracewood
CPRC	2/9/2016	12:30 p.m4:30 p.m.	BLDG 103-C
			Room C-23
Updated PNS Professional	2/9/2016	1:00 p.m3:00 p.m.	BLDG 103-C
		3:00 p.m5:00 p.m.	Lab
Updated Safety Care Level #2	2/9/2016	12:30 p.m4:30 p.m.	BLDG 99L
	2/10/2016	8:00 a.m4:30 p.m.	
NEO Observation of Individual to Ensure	2/10/2016	8:00 a.m10:30 a.m.	BLDG 103-D
Safety			E&R
NEO Seclusion and Restraint	2/10/2016	1:30 p.m4:30 p.m.	BLDG 103-D
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CPRA	2/10/2016	8:00 a.m11:30 a.m.	BLDG 103-C
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Class	Date	Time	Place
Infection Control and Prevention+ Hand-	2/10/2016	8:00 a.m9:30 a.m.	BLDG 103-C
washing		10:00 a.m11:30 a.m.	Lab
Updated Safety Care Level #2	2/10/2016	12:30 p.m4:30 p.m.	BLDG 99B
	2/11/2016	8:00 a.m4:30 p.m.	
DD-Incident Management Annual	2/10/2016	7:30 a.m9:30 a.m.	Bldg. 20, Gracewood
		9:30 a.m11:30 a.m.	Bldg. 20, Gracewood
		12:30 p.m2:30 p.m.	Bldg. 20, Gracewood
		2:30 p.m4:30 p.m.	Bldg. 20, Gracewood
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NEO Therapeutic Incentive Program	2/11/2016	8:30 a.m10:00 a.m.	BLDG 103-D
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First Aid	2/11/2016	8:00 a.m12:00 p.m.	BLDG 103-C
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CPRA	2/11/2016	1:00 p.m4:30 p.m.	BLDG 103-C
DD Incident Management Annual	2/11/2016	7:30 a.m9:30 a.m.	Lab
DD-Incident Management Annual	2/11/2016	9:30 a.m11:30 a.m.	Bldg. 103-C, C-23 Bldg. 103-C, C-23
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		2:30 p.m4:30 p.m.	Bldg. 103-C, C-23
NEO PNS Professional	2/12/2016	8:00 a.m12:00 p.m.	BLDG 103-C
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NEO PNS End User	2/12/2016	12:30 p.m4:30 p.m.	BLDG 103-D
			E&R
DD-Incident Management Annual	2/12/2016	7:30 a.m9:30 a.m.	Bldg. 20, Gracewood
_		9:30 a.m11:30 a.m.	Bldg. 20, Gracewood
		12:30 p.m2:30 p.m.	Bldg. 103-C, C-23
		2:30 p.m4:30 p.m.	Bldg. 103-C, C-23
Updated Safety Care Level #2	2/13/2016	8:00 a.m4:30 p.m.	BLDG 99L
(Weekend)	2/14/2016	8:00 a.m12:00 p.m.	
DD-Incident Management Annual	2/15/2016	7:30 a.m9:30 a.m.	Bldg. 103-D, E&R
		9:30 a.m11:30 a.m.	Bldg. 103-D, E&R
		12:30 p.m2:30 p.m.	Bldg. 20, Gracewood
		2:30 p.m4:30 p.m.	Bldg. 20, Gracewood
CPRA	2/15/2016	8:00 a.m-11:30 a.m.	BLDG 103-C
			Room C-23
First Aid	2/15/2016	12:30 p.m4:30 p.m.	BLDG 103-C
			Room C-23
Infection Control and Preven-	2/15/2016	1:00 p.m2:30 p.m.	Bldg. 103-D, E&R
tion+Handwashing		3:00 p.m4:30 p.m.	
Updated Safety Care Level #2	2/15/2016	8:00 a.m4:30 p.m.	BLDG 99L
·	2/16/2016	8:00 a.m12:00 p.m.	
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Check DBHDD University for training needs and information.



Out & About

Faithful Service





































Out & About

Faithful Service













SNOW?













February Birthdays

February 1	Gloria Hammond	February 10	Ulonda D. Lett
	Jason R. Henle		Betty A. Miller
	Mary H. Martin		Jack Scott
	Amanda L. Pattillo		Bonnie Jean Sikes
	Elaine Perkins	February 11	Tyrone Bernard Goodwin
	Rehana Saeed		Barbara L. Kenon
February 2	Frankie L. Creech	February 12	Gregory C. Hall
	LaTrease B. Pinkney		Allyssa M. Walker
February 3	Ebony S. Burgess		Darrell B. Walker
	Debbie C. Jordan	February 14	Cheryl S. Bragg
	Sierra M. Merriweather		Veronica M. Brown
	Tarrance Tyrone Robbins		Nancy H. Felder
	Juakena O'Neal		Tamika L. Smith
February 4	Tanya M. Benjamin-Wilson		Betty R. Head
	Charles L. McIlwain	February 15	Bill F. Carter
	Faith A. Mincey		Elizabeth Chapman
	Deloise A. Perkins		Anthony Harris, Jr.
	Larice R. Willis-Houck		Brenda D. Hope
February 5	Shannon D. Childs		Nikki Morris
	Gloria Johnson		Kandra Shaw Seng
	Lisa Ann Montano	February 16	Bridgett Kimberley Garnett
	Michael A. Williams		Carla A. Johnson-Ferguson
February 6	Altaf Hussain		Elizabeth Carlene Lazenby
February 7	Wendy L. Betts	February 17	Lucious Abrams, Jr.
	Mickie M. Collins		Natalie Q. Herrington
	Solomon L. Williams		Jasmine E. Winters
	Heather L. Wyatt		Robert L. Johnson
	Lakisha Y. Tarver	February 18	Lynd W. Bell
February 8	Lillian S. Branham		Stacy Wynona Hughes
	Beverly Hester		Caprecia V. Ingram
	Lisa Tucker Sanford		Sneha V. Mistry
February 9	Donyale E. Brown		Aquilla T. Smith
	Curtis J. Carey	February 19	Valerie Johnson Calloway
	Itanga M. Hughes		Hae K. Park
	Brenda L. Thomas		Farrah Stallings
	Cierra L. Williams	II	Yolanda H. Terry
February 10	Jamal A. Baron	February 20	Shante Eunice
	Dariece J. Bartlett	February 21	Beverly Kay Holloway
	Janice L. Key	February 22	Kimberly McCumbers-Ball

More February Birthdays

February 23 Clinton R. Terry Natanya F. Young Laura T. Giles February 24 Johnny Dunn Shanta Dunnum Searles Renza Renee Yarbrough February 25 Anita S. Hill Felicia R. Mitchell Mico B. Turner Clara Lue Walker February 26 Annissia L. Hilliard Alvin C. Roberson Carrie F. Stevenson Cassandra D. Williams February 27 Patricia Fuller Brown Carole B. Harmon Willie M. Harris Towanna D. Hicks Cassandra L. Jackson Lashona B. White February 28 Cynthia Elaine Collier Larnice N. Dunton Douglas E. Fedrick Annette O. Ortiz Jassica L. Speer-Cater

Don't forget your PPD!



Work Therapy's Valentine's Day Sale



February 11th- 12th
9:30am - 12:00pm

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2:00pm - 4:00pm

Work Therapy Department Bldg. 22 (Gracewood Campus)



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Classifieds

2BR, 1BA House

Monthly Rent: \$550.00
Deposit: \$550.00
Application fee: \$45.00
Available: 03/15/2016
No indoor / house pets

References Required

Location: 1948 Williams Drive (off Old Louisville Rd.), Augusta GA 30906

Condition: Newly remodeled, ceramic tile, new windows, fenced yard, central heating & air

Contact (706) 840-4409 or (706) 840-4139 for additional information.

Language Line Services

ECRH's Language Access Coordinator is Cindy White. The LAC ensures that both language and sensory impairment needs of the consumers and families of East Central Regional Hospital are addressed. Did you know that Spanish is the second most spoken language in the United States? East Central Regional Hospital has two certified staff that speak Spanish. The hospital contracts with Latin American Translators Network, Inc. (LATN) for interpreting services for both language and sensory impairment needs.

If you have a consumer or family that needs interpreting services please notify the Language Access Coordinator, Cindy White, at 706-792-7006 for assistance. After hours, contact the Admitting/Receiving staff at 706-792-7006 so that arrangements can be made for interpreting. You can also e-mail Cindy White at cynthia.White@dbhdd.ga.gov.

The Notice of Free Interpretation Services should be posted in all public and consumer areas. Language Line services may be used in emergency cases or when you have an immediate need for interpreting. To access the language line, follow the instructions below:

When receiving a call:

- 1. Tell the Limited English speaker to please hold.
- 2. Press the "Tap" button on the phone.
- 3. Dial 9-1- (866) 874-3972.
- 4. Enter on the telephone keypad or provide to the representative the 6 digit Client ID below:
 - * 6-digit Client ID: 5 1 3 3 0 8
 - * Press 1 for Spanish
 - * Press 2 for all other Languages (Speak the name of the language at the prompt) an interpreter will be connected to the call.

You may press 0 or stay on the line for assistance.

- 5. Brief the Interpreter. Summarize what you wish to accomplish and give any special instructions.
- 6. Press "Tap" button to connect the Limited English speaker.

When placing a call to a Limited English speaker, begin at Step 2 above.

When a Limited English speaking person is present in the workplace:

- 1. Use the Gold Language Identification Card showing the geographical region where you believe the limited speaker may come from. The message underneath each language says: "Point to your language. An Interpreter will be called. The interpreter is provided at no cost to you."
- 2. Refer to the Quick Reference Guide to access an interpreter through Language Line Services.
- 3. If unable to identify the language, the representative will help you.

For more information you may visit the Language Line Services website at www.languageline.com.

What's in a Month?

February is...

American Heart Month
An Affair to Remember Month
Black History Month
Canned Food Month
Creative Romance Month
Great American Pie Month
National Cherry Month

National Children's Dental Health Month
National Grapefruit Month
National Weddings Month
National Bird Feeding Month
National Hot Breakfast Month
Potato Lovers Month

And...

February 1

National Freedom Day

February 2

Groundhog Day

Sneeze Day

Candlemas

February 3

The Day the Music Died

February 4

Create a Vacuum Day

Thank a Mailman Day

February 5

National Weatherman's Day

February 6

Lame Duck Day

Eat Ice Cream for Breakfast Day

February 7

Wave All Your Fingers at Your Neighbor Day

Send a Card to a Friend Day

Superbowl Sunday

Ballet Day

February 8

Boy Scouts Day

Clean Out Your Computer Day

Kite Flying Day

February 9

Mardi Gras/Fat Tuesday

Toothache Day

February 10

Umbrella Day

Ash Wednesday

February 11

Don't Cry Over Spilled Milk Day

Make a Friend Day

National Inventors Day

White T-Shirt Day

February 12

Plum Pudding Day

Abraham Lincoln's Birthday

February 13

Get a Different Name Day

February 14

Valentine's Day

Ferris Wheel Day

National Organ Donor Day

February 15

National Gum Drop Day

President's Day

Singles Awareness Day

Susan B. Anthony Day

February 16

Do a Grouch a Favor Day

February 17

Random Acts of Kindness Day

February 18

National Battery Day

February 19

National Chocolate Mint Day

February 20

Love Your Pet Day

Cherry Pie Day

Hoodie Hoo Day

February 21

Card Reading Day

February 22

Washington's Birthday

Be Humble Day

Walking the Dog Day

International World Thinking Day

February 23

International Dog Biscuit Appreciation Day

Tennis Day

February 24

National Tortilla Chip Day

February 25

Pistol Patent Day

February 26

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National Pistachio Day

Carnival Day

Tell a Fairy Tale Day

February 27

Polar Bear Day

No Brainer Day

February 28

Floral Design Day

National Tooth Fairy Day

Public Sleeping Day

Oscar Night

February 29

Leap Day

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Our Mission

The mission of East Central Regional Hospital is to provide safe, competent and compassionate services to persons with mental illness and/or developmental disabilities.

Our Vision

The vision of our Facility is to be a center of excellence in the provision of comprehensive, responsive and compassionate care for consumers and their families.

Our Values

East Central Regional Hospital is caring and therefore, responsive to our consumers, their families, stakeholders and our employees through commitment to our core values:

Integrity

Communication & Collaboration

Accountability

Recognition through Relationships

Accredited

by

The Joint Commission

Empowerment through Excellence

Campus Marquees

Deadline for submission of

MARCH MESSAGES

February 22, 2016

Submit information to Skip Earnest

Gracewood Campus

Extension 2102

(Information must be submitted on or before the indicated date to be placed on Marquees for the following month.)

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DBHDD Vision and Mission

Vision

Easy access to highquality care that leads to a life of recovery and independence for the people we serve



Mission

Leading an accountable and effective continuum of care to support Georgians with behavioral health challenges, and intellectual and developmental disabilities in a dynamic health care Volume 12, Issue 14 Page 19

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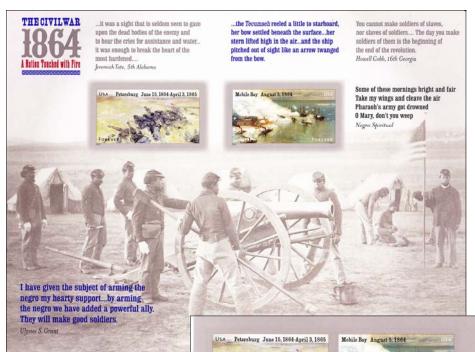
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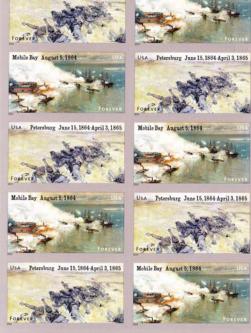
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1864

In the spring of 1864, Ulysses S. Grant, General-in-Chief of Union forces, launched an offensive targeting Richmond, Virginia, capital of the Confederacy.

During the first month of the massive operation, the Union Sustained crushing losses to Robert E. Lee's Army of Northern Virginia at the Battle of the Wilderness, west of Fredericksburg, and at Cold Harbor, just north of Richmond. Instead of retreating, Grant surprised Lee in early June by moving his forces across the James River in an attempt to approach Richmond from the south, through Petersburg.

Pierre G.T. Beauregard, the general in command of Petersburg's defense, had fewer than 6,000 soldiers and local militia on June 15 when William F. Smith's Eighteenth Corps, some 14,000 strong, stormed the city's fortifications. Two brigades of African-American soldiers spearheaded the assault and were poised to enter the city. But Smith failed to press his advantage before the arrival of Confederate reinforcements, and a dreary siege of ten months ensued.

Beyond Virginia, Grant set his sights on Mobile, Alabama, coordinating an attack on this critical Gulf Coast port with General William T. Sherman's advance further south toward Atlanta, Georgia.

Admiral David G. Farragut, hero of the U.S. Navy's conquest of New Orleans in 1862, headed the operations against Mobile. To reach the city, his fleet would have to face fire from the two forts guarding the main entrance to Mobile Bay, plus the peril of the mines (then called torpedoes) laid at the entrance.

On August 5, the lead ironclad USS Tecumuch fired on Fort Morgan. Events turned dire when Tecumuch hit a torpedo and sank, losing 9,4 men. Despite the danger of torpedoes, Farragut gave the order to continue on, and his flagship USS Hanford guided the rest of the fleet through the minefield. When Fort Morgan surrendered on August 23, the Confederacy lost the use of the crucial port of Mobile for the rest of the war.

Farragut's capture of Mobile Bay, together with Sherman's conquest of Atlanta in September, restored confidence in President Abraham Lincoln's conduct of the war and helped him win reelection in November.

The Petersburg Campaign and Battle of Mobile Bay stamps are part of the U.S. Postal Service's series commemorating the 150th anniversary of the Civil War.



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ECRH Jobs List

For further information regarding these positions, please go to the DBHDD webpage at www.dbhddjobs.com.

Activity Therapist - ECRH Forensics Treatment Mall - Days 198544

Activity Therapy Leader - ECRH Camellia Unit - 69154

Activity Therapy Leader - Gracewood Campus

Assistant Housekeeping Director

Auditor - Social Work

Behavioral Health Counselor - ECRH PBS Team - 193820

Behavioral Health Counselor - ECRH Treatment Mall

Charge Nurse - ECRH - Redbud 7a-3:30p

Clerical Worker - MHS Admissions - Parttime 8:00p-4:30a

Client Support Worker - Gracewood

CNA - ECRH Camellia - 69505

CNA - ECRH SNF - FT 3rd Shift - 69639

Corporal - ECRH Hospital Security - 70799

Counselor - Group Facilitator

Dental Assistant

Dental Assistant 2 - ECRH - 68888

Dentist - Gracewood Campus

Director of Clinical Information Systems

<u>Electrician</u>

Food Service Operations Worker 1

Food Service Operations Worker 2/Senior

Food Service Supervisor (2 Open Positions)

Food Service Supervisor - ECRH - 70105

General Trades Craftsman

Groundskeeper - ECRH - 1st Shift - 208498

Group Facilitator/Counselor - AMH Mall

Health Service Technician 1 - Augusta Mental Health Campus

Health Service Technician 1 - Gracewood Campus

Health Services Technician 2 - Augusta Mental Health Campus

Health Services Technician 2 - Gracewood Campus

<u>Housekeeper - ECRH - 70171</u>

Housekeeping Team Leader

<u>Houseparent</u>

HR Assistant - ECRH - 74397

HVAC Repair Technician - ECRH Plant Operations - 70740

Instructor 1 - ICF/MR Treatment Mall -ECRH

Laboratory Services Worker (part time hourly)

<u> Laundry Supervisor - ECRH - 70200</u>

<u>Laundry Worker - ECRH - 69933</u>

<u>Laundry Worker - ECRH - 69995</u>

<u>Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) - Gracewood Campus</u>

Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) - Augusta Mental Health Campus

Licensed Practical Nurse - Hourly/Part-time - Gracewood Campus

Licensed Practical Nurse - Hourly/Part-time -Augusta Campus

LPN - Gen Mental Hlth - 7a-3:30p

LPN - Infection Control - ECRH 8am-5pm

Maintenance Craftsman, General Trades - ECHR - 70750

Maintenance Worker - 1st Shift

Mechanic Foreman - ECRH Plant Operations - 70748

Medical Records Info Tech - ECRH - 76412

Medical Technologist

Medical Technologist

Motor Vehicle Operator

Nurse Manager - Gracewood Campus

Nurse Practitioner - Skilled Nursing Facility

Office Manager Switchboard - Hospital Operations - 68836

Operations Analyst - Accounting or Finance - ECRH - 68990

<u>Painter</u>

Pharmacy Technician - ECRH - 69048

Program Assistant - Admissions - 12:00p-8:30p

Program Assistant - Admissions - 2nd Shift

Program Assistant - Admissions - 70756

Program Assistant - ECRH Nursing - Redbud 69714

Program Assistant - Forensic Treatment Mall - FT Days

Program Assistant - Redbud Unit - Gracewood Campus

Program Associate - ECRH - SNF Camellia - 208391

Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner - Augusta Mental Health Campus

Psychologist - Forensic Outpatient

Registered Nurse (RN) - Augusta Mental Health Campus

Registered Nurse (RN) - Charge Nurse - Augusta Campus

Registered Nurse (RN) - Charge Nurse - Gracewood Campus

Registered Nurse (RN) - Skilled Nursing Facility

Registered Nurse (RN) - Gracewood Campus

Service Director/Charge Nurse - Gracewood Campus

<u>Shift Supervisor - Augusta Campus - 3rd Shift</u>

Shift Supervisor - Augusta Mental Health Campus - 1st Shift

Shift Supervisor - Gracewood Campus

Skilled Utility Worker

Steam Plant Operator

Vehicle Operator

Work Instructor 1 - Gracewood Campus