



Family Health Center News September 2007

Employee of the Month

Angie Knipp is the Employee of the month for September 2007. Angie has been with the Family Health Centers since July 3, 2006. She works at the Piketon Health Center as a Dental Registration Clerk. Congratulations on her recent marriage to Josh Knipp. She will be attending the MBO, Senior staff, CQI and board meeting for the month of September.

The employee of the month is chosen by the department supervisor. The employee will be provided a certificate of appreciation. A copy of the certificate will be placed in their personnel file. The certificate will be displayed at the job site.

**Congratulations,
Angie!!!**

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Waverly

The Family Health Centers have purchased a digital camera. Contact Lynn Holland, if you need to borrow the camera for a Family Health event.

Dr. Yolanda Bryant has signed a contract to work at the Waverly Family Health Center. Dr. Bryant's start date has not been determined at this time.

Welcome, Dr. Mosalem and Dr. Philip Roberts to Waverly. Dr. Mosalem is board certified in internal medicine and geriatrics. Dr. Philip Roberts is board eligible for Family Practice. They are accepting new patients.

Connie Riquelme, CNP, a behavioral health NP, has signed a contract to work in Waverly. She will start 9/24/07 and will begin seeing patients in December 2007.

Front Office

Welcome

Tara Elliott – Medical/Perinatal Records Clerk full time at Waverly. She will start 9/4/07.

Chasity Setty is leaving the Family Health Center to pursue her education. Chasity will be returning to college to become a teacher. Good Luck, Chasity!!!

Tiffany Benson has accepted the scheduler position at Waverly.

Marianne Borders has accepted a Medical/Dental Office Assistant I position at Waverly.

PT/INR CILA waived machines have been purchased for each FHC site. The will allow the provider to complete a PT/INR and adjust coumadin therapy during the patients visit. Trainings will be provided to medical staff prior to implementation of the equipment. If you have any questions, Please contact Cindy Balzer, RN at Waverly.

West Portsmouth

West Portsmouth has received a fresh coat of paint. The lobby, exam rooms, and offices were painted at the site.

Dr. Aviles will begin working late on Monday. He will be off on Friday afternoons. This change will begin in October 2007.

Front Office

Welcome

Michele Skidmore- Medical/Dental Office Specialist I full time at WPHC. She will start 9/4/07.

Computer Training

The computer training sessions, taught by Meka McClay, began on 8/31/07. Supervisors will be contacting staff members to attend a training session.

All staff members will be provided an Email operation manual and a trouble shooting manual.

Jackson

A billboard will be placed in Jackson County to promote Jackson Family Health Center. The billboard will be located on West SR 32 between Wellston and Jackson.

Front Office

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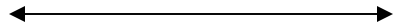
Mary Kuhn – Medical/Dental Office Special I part time at Jackson. She will start 9/17/07.

Nursing Department

CPR mannequins have been purchased for the CPR class instructors for the Family Health Centers.

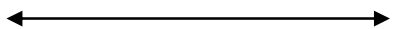
FHC Events

Senior Expo at the Scioto County Fairgrounds September 14, 2007 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The Family Health Center participates in this event every year.



Relay for life

Fundraiser – Friday Sports Day – Every Friday from September 7th, 07 to March 18, 08 employee's can proudly wear their favorite sports team. If you decide to participate you can donate \$1.00 every Friday or pay \$30.00 for the entire season. Donations can be forwarded to your supervisor.



Exercise Class on Every Tuesday and Thursday at the Waverly Family Health Center. Class begins at 5:00 p.m. If you have any questions or would like to attend contact Cheryl Tackett at 947-7726.

IT Department

David Hicks, Jr. was hired April 2007 as a Computer Systems Assistant in our Information Technology department. He is working, in conjunction with Meka McClay, on agency wide computer issues. Please take a moment to say hello and introduce yourself if you see him at any of the health centers.

Just a reminder

All computer issues must have a helpdesk tickets submitted before any work can be completed. If you have any computer issue use the link below:

<http://www.pikecac.org/helpdesk>

Please save it to your favorites on the computer or the desktop for easy access.

Network Upgrade

The Jackson and Piketon sites have recently experienced a network upgrade from a Frame Relay circuit line to a T1 circuit line which will increase their bandwidth speed from 256 KB to 1 MB. Users should see an enormous increase in speed when using Medical Manager and other applications, including the internet. The Jackson site is fully operational. The IT staff are currently working to get the Piketon site operational within the next few weeks.

Social Services

A note from Techia, RASW:

I just wanted to let everyone know that I am back and providing social services to patients. Among the many social services is the **Tobacco Fund**. For those of you not familiar with this program the Tobacco Fund is used to purchase medications for qualified patients. **Qualification for the Tobacco Fund includes a substantial smoking history, and a diagnosis of a smoking related disorder such as COPD, Asthma, or HTN. The patient must have no prescription coverage, fall within a certain income guideline and be at least 50 years of age. The income guideline for the Tobacco Program is actually less than our 0% sliding fee scale.** If you have a patient that you believe may be eligible please contact me at the Waverly site.

We are also able to issue **Crisis Fund** vouchers to Waverly and Piketon patients, who need an **emergency** supply of medication. The West Portsmouth and Jackson sites will be completing their Crisis Fund vouchers on site. There are several guidelines for the Crisis Fund vouchers so please contact me or Lynn before sending a patient. I am available Monday through Friday 8am to 2:30pm to offer information on a variety of social services including Medicare Part D, Healthy Start, transportation, etc.

I look forward to working with you,
Sincerely Techia Potter, RASW

The newsletter is submitted by Lisa Walker on a monthly basis. If you have a newsletter posting, submissions are due the last day of the month. Email is preferred, lwalker@pikecac.org or contact me at the Waverly Family Health Center. 740-947-7726