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Future Goals for Inpatient and Outpatient Care at PCMC

As **Dr. John Pulvino** D.O. brings his medical training and experience to the Palacios community, he is excited and proud to be part of future plans for inpatient and outpatient care at the Palacios Community Medical Center (PCMC) and Palacios Medical Clinic. According to Dr. Pulvino: "Upcoming plans for the hospital include increased laboratory capabilities which will allow for faster and broader diagnostic capability in both the Emergency and Inpatient departments. We are also continuing our efforts to update and improve equipment to allow for better response and outcomes in critical care situations."

"We understand that local care, when possible, is better for patients and their loved ones. With these initiatives in the hospital setting we aim to increase our capability to provide quality care for patients locally. These improvements should serve to increase participation in both the inpatient and swing bed programs and help our hospital thrive."

"In addition to these initiatives in the hospital, we are working to improve outreach in the outpatient setting. Through involvement with Palacios ISD by way of providing sports medicine and campus clinics, we are hoping to better become an integral part of our community. Our goal is to provide a broad scope of high quality primary care in the outpatient setting with the ability to handle most problems locally. We additionally plan to continue to have specialists available locally when needed as we again recognize the value that local care brings to our patients."

Radiology Now Staffed 24-7



Radiology team members (L to R): Irene Gonzalez, Lila Filip, Loretta Kelley, Hillary Nieto, & Michele Ruiz.

The PCMC Radiology Department offers services in Radiology, Computerized Tomography (CT), Ultrasound (limited exams) and Bone Density. The department is now fully staffed with 24hr, 7 days a week coverage. No more waiting for a Technologist to come in at night and weekends to perform exams.

All Technologists are fully certified by the ARRT and The Texas Medical Board. All exams are sent out for interpretation by a Board Certified Radiologist. Special cash pricing is available on certain exams for those who do not have insurance.

To schedule an appointment or for more information on the Radiology Department at Palacios Community Medical Center, please contact Radiology Department Director Loretta Kelley at 361-972-0386 or email at kelley@ecmh.org.

Did You Know...

October is National Physical Therapy Month



Palacios Community Medical Center provides Physical, Occupational and Speech Therapy. Call 361-972-2511 for an appointment.

PCMC Blood Drive

Dec 29, 2020

Palacios Comm. Medical Center
311 Green Ave
GCRBC Coach (Bus)
Incentive: free T shirts

Remember your Flu Shots!

FLU SHOTS

ARE MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER.



2020 PMF Board Meeting

Noon at PCMC
December 7

Palacios Medical Foundation
P.O. Box 560
Palacios 77465

COVID-19 Testing Continues

PCMC continues to offer **diagnostic COVID-19 testing**. To be tested, a patient needs to provide an order from his/her medical provider, or phone the hospital (**361-972-2511**) to schedule a screening through the Emergency Room. If a patient tests positive for COVID-19 and requires hospitalization, he or she will be referred to El Campo Memorial Hospital or a hospital of the patient's choice. (Transfers may be restricted due to bed availability.)

Thanks to ...

First Book Matagorda and The Gratitude Project



First Book of Matagorda County and The Gratitude Project generously donated fun and educational children's books to Palacios Medical Clinic. These books will be given to our little patients for being so brave during their clinical visits. Pictured (L to R): Don Loving (PWC), Cynthia Garrett (First Book), Margaret Doughty (PWC), and Huyen Jessica Tran (PCMC).



The Gratitude Project

The Palacios Gratitude Project is thanking the many caring individuals and organizations that are helping our community through the Pandemic. Coordinated by the Palacios Wellness Council (PWC), the Project partners with several local organizations, including Palacios Medical Foundation.

PCMC Welcomes New PISD Staff



Palacios Community Medical Center in partnership with El Campo Memorial Hospital has graciously donated gift bags to 30 new Palacios ISD staff members welcoming them to Palacios. Huyen Jessica Tran, PCMC Community Outreach Coordinator, presents the bags to Carolyn Kubecka, PISD Public Relations Coordinator.

PMF Board of Directors gratefully acknowledge **John Connor** for his many years of service to PMF and our health community. Mr. Connor has recently retired from the Board.

Palacios Medical Clinic

Hrs 8 am – 5 pm, Mon-Fri
307 Green Avenue, 361-972-2000

Primary Providers:

John Pulvino, DO, Family Physician
(Care for all ages, M-F)

Alexis Martinez, FNP- C (Care for all ages, M-F)

Brooke Dorotik, MD, Family Physician
(Care for all ages, every other Friday).

Specialist Physicians:

Cardiologist:

Robin Yue, MD
(Wed. afternoons)

Nephrologist: (as scheduled)
M. Atiq Dada, MD

Gynecologist: (as scheduled)
Robert Ogdee, MD