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A Focus on Catalyzing Change Across the Nation

U.S. National Health IT (NHIT) Week is a nationwide action week focused on catalyzing change within the U.S. health system through the application of information and technology. Founded by HIMSS and the Institute for e-Policy in 2006, the week long celebration comprises partner-driven activities and events led by the efforts of national health stakeholders. Participants include the administration; congressional, federal and state agencies; providers; non-profit organizations and more. In Washington, D.C. and beyond, stakeholders collaborate toward actionable outcomes that demonstrate the power that information and technology have to transform health in the U.S. and around the globe.

U.S. NATIONAL
**HEALTH
+ IT WEEK**

This year NHIT Week is September 23-27 and will focus on five key areas. They include advancing public and population health, modernizing the public health infrastructure, accelerating workforce development, expanding access to broadband and telehealth, and addressing social determinants of health. More information about these points of engagement can be found on the NHIT Week website at <https://healthitweek.org/points-engagement>.

At CGH we have three departments whose primary responsibility is supporting information technology. The Information Technology (IT) department has 20 full time and two part time employees, there are seven full time and one part time employee in the Health Informatics department, and seven full time employees in the Clinic EMR Department. IT focuses on our computer infrastructure and several of the smaller applications. Health Informatics' focus is on Cerner and supporting how that application is built and used while the Clinic EMR Department's focus is on NextGen and supporting how that application is built and used.

"Healthcare IT involves security, hardware, applications, interfaces, end user support, training and more. Hospital and Clinic operations require this infrastructure for doing business and providing quality healthcare. Therefore, our teams strive to provide CGH with the technology needed to do their jobs," said Teresa Kikuts, Director, Health Informatics.

The IT department has also put together a FAQ that might help all users understand how to use their computers and how to get help. That FAQ can be found on Lifeline at <http://lifeline2016/dept/cis/SitePages/FAQ.aspx>. As a reminder, you can get support from these departments by calling the Help Desk Hotline at extension 5555. Then press 1 for NextGen support from the Clinic EMR department, 3 for Cerner support from Health Informatics, and 4 for the IT Service Desk which is available 24/7. There is someone onsite Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. and IT staff is on call outside of those hours.

On behalf of everyone at CGH, we'd like to celebrate our Health Information Technology teams for the work they do and value they bring to CGH!

Vehicle Crashes into Ryberg

Around 4 a.m. on Wednesday, September 18, a silver, midsize Ford drove into the south wing wall of CGH Medical Center.

Following the crash, the driver exited the vehicle and was apprehended two blocks away from the hospital by Sterling police.

"We are very lucky that none of our patients, staff members or community members were hurt during this incident," said Dr. Paul Steinke, CGH President and CEO. The Ryberg Auditorium is used regularly each day for community meetings, hospital classes, department meetings, and more. "This situation could have been so much worse. I thank everyone that was on duty at the time of the incident. Also, we thank our entire CGH Plant Operations department who was called in, had the area cleared by 8 a.m. and began reconstructing the wall."

Later that day a structural engineer arrived and assessed the building. There were no structural issues found based on the location of the crash.

The Ryberg Auditorium will be closed down for repairs October 7-18. If we are able to complete the work earlier, we will do so, but this is our plan as of now. If you have meetings scheduled in these spaces during this timeframe, please look and reschedule them to another location.

Between now and October 7, you will be able to use the room. We currently do not have AV capabilities in that space, so you may need to move your meetings if that is needed.

"I also want to thank our POM department for their quick response....the entire dept was called in and promptly got the space cleaned and closed up by 9 a.m. that day," said Cindy Zander, Vice President of Professional Services. "I would also like to thank EVS for their quick response in getting the carpets cleaned and the room cleaned and ready for use the following week. We have a great team here and we appreciate your understanding with the process to put the space back together."



Employee Flu Vaccines

Flu season is around the corner!

Protect yourself and your family this season with an annual flu vaccine for everyone in your family who is 6 months of age

and older. While the timing of flu season is unpredictable, seasonal flu activity can begin as early as October and last as late as May. CDC recommends that people get vaccinated by the end of October, if possible.

So, get your flu vaccine today! It takes about two weeks after vaccination for antibodies to develop in the body that protect against influenza virus infection.

You have the power to protect your family against flu this season. Get yourself and your family a flu vaccine. Fight flu!

Employee Flu Vaccines

- Tuesday, October 1
4-7 p.m. Internal Medicine, Main Clinic
- Wednesday, October 2
1-3 p.m. Employee Pharmacy
- Thursday, October 3
6:30-8:30 a.m. Internal Medicine, Main Clinic
- Monday, October 7
11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. On the Move, CCU, 3E, OB, Surgical
- Wednesday, October 9
10:45-11:45 a.m. ED Skills Lab
- Thursday, October 10
10:45-11:45 a.m. ED Skills Lab
- Friday, October 11
12-1:30 p.m. Employee Pharmacy

Employee walk ins are also accepted at the CGH Main Clinic Flu Clinic:

- Monday-Friday, September 30-October 31
8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Internal Medicine, Main Clinic



SAVE THE DATE!

CGH Health Foundation Fall Bake Sale

Wednesday, October 30
7 a.m.-1 p.m.
CGH Ryberg Auditorium

Let Barb Brady (ext. 3223) or Amanda Blaine (ext. 5575) know if you can donate to the bake sale.

All proceeds benefit the CGH Health Foundation Women's Health fund.

CGH EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION WEEK

HAPPY FALL Y'ALL

SEPTEMBER 16-20, 2019



EVS Wins AHE Award



Congratulations to our CGH Environmental Services team who recently won the AHE (Association for the Health Care Environment) EVS week award of \$250.

Our CGH EVS team is extremely dedicated and hard working. While finding ways to improve every day, they remain positive throughout all their daily duties and really understand the need to "break the chain of infection" for the safety of our patients and visitors throughout the hospital.

Thank you for all that you do!



Volunteer Opportunity

RECRUITING VOLUNTEER SHUTTLE DRIVERS!

New Main Clinic Service Coming Soon!



Do you enjoy driving a golf cart and helping your community? If so, we have the perfect volunteer position for you! A new shuttle service for the CGH Main Clinic is in the works, and we're looking for drivers. Let us know if you, or anyone you know, may be interested! Contact Deb Keaschall at (815) 625-0400 ext. 5727 for more information.

BLOOD DRIVE

CGH Medical Center

Thursday, October 3

9:30 am to 7:00 pm in the Ryberg Auditorium
(100 E. LeFevre Rd., Sterling)

Call Michelle at 815-625-4790 x6879
or Connie at 815-625-0400 x5425 to sign up



Bring Photo I.D. Please eat before donating.
Last Date to Donate Elsewhere: August 8

Superhero Strong

Cash/Payroll Deduct Pink Shirt Sales

Did you miss the Pink Shirt Sales?

Wear these shirts to work during October!

Don't Worry!

Limited Styles and Sizes are still available!

\$20 T-Shirts (S-XL)

\$20 Women's Cut T-Shirts (S-XL)

\$30 Crew Neck Sweatshirt (S, M, XL)

\$35 Hoodie (S, M)



E-mail your payroll deduct/order forms to Amanda Blaine, Foundation.

She will interoffice your order back to your department.

Shirts will be distributed on a first come, first serve basis. Please note, we will not be ordering additional shirts.

Cash, Check and Payroll Deduct accepted

All proceeds go towards the CGH Health Foundation Women's Health Program.

October Birthdays

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| 1 Ashley Revels | 16 Theresa Devine |
| 1 Anna Reynolds | 16 Shelby Rus |
| 2 Mellissa Anderson | 17 Pamela Carey |
| 2 Kathryn Edson | 17 Julia Hammer |
| 2 Sabrina Stock | 17 Melanie Mangan |
| 3 Kylie Brauer | 17 Abigail McCormick |
| 3 Erica Day | 17 Courtney Mohr |
| 3 Stacy Dillard | 17 Kelcie Wilkens |
| 3 Jodie Gaffey | 17 Cynthia Witherow |
| 3 Kristie Geil | 18 Margo Rahn |
| 3 Cherie Parker | 18 Charity Wheat |
| 3 Doris Saile | 19 Michelle Grevengoe |
| 3 Julie Smeltzer | 19 Lyndsay Hodapp |
| 4 Magdalena Castillo | 19 Debora Johnson |
| 4 Kelli Jepson | 19 Katie Morris |
| 4 Regina McCulloh | 19 Katie Pfundstein |
| 4 Melissa Meusel | 19 Shannon Phelan |
| 4 Jeanie Swanson | 19 Allison VanDerLeest |
| 5 Deborah Devine | 20 Aaron Drey |
| 5 Michele Harrison | 20 Kaitlyn Miller |
| 5 Ashley Heidenreich | 20 Raquel Romano |
| 5 Danielle Scully | 21 Marjorie Burtlow |
| 5 Vanessa Williamson | 21 Peggy Carney |
| 6 Valeria Cervantes | 21 Lekeshi Crawford |
| 6 Sonia Johnson | 21 Chester Dela Cruz |
| 6 Korissa Kipping | 21 Shirley Hernandez |
| 6 Charles Mighell | 21 Susan Jacobs |
| 6 Alaina Sanchez | 21 Samantha Linkowski |
| 6 Laura Soleta | 21 Regina Superczynski |
| 7 Kathryn Beck | 22 Amber Guinn |
| 7 Jennifer Bookman | 22 Kaylie Hawbaker |
| 7 Ken Koerner | 22 Whitney Smith |
| 7 Jessica Lehrer | 22 Todd Whiles |
| 7 Samantha Moesch | 23 Angela Renkes |
| 7 Young Song | 23 Matthew Tichler |
| 7 Ashley Swanson | 24 Barbara Bruketta |
| 8 Barbara Duffy | 24 Katie Johns |
| 8 Julie Jones | 24 Ashok Maini |
| 8 Englantina Navarro | 24 Margaret Ruckman |
| 8 Desiree Olalde | 24 Angela Sullivan |
| 8 Karmen Sage | 25 Barbara Brady |
| 8 Nancy Tran | 25 Miriam Ferrel |
| 8 Alex Vallejo | 25 Mary Harvey |
| 8 Andrea Vickers | 25 Daxton Heier |
| 9 Erika Stach | 25 Peter Mills |
| 10 Sherri Bellini | 25 Richard Rodriguez |
| 10 Lacey Dierks | 26 Lindsey Gray |
| 10 Kaylan Dietz | 26 Meagan Haan |
| 10 Stevie Jamin | 26 Mary Lally |
| 10 Eric Kuhns | 26 Denise Zink |
| 10 Stacey Munz | 27 Laura Baker |
| 10 Ryan Venema | 27 Nicholas Conklen |
| 11 Abby Anderson | 27 Lynn Gallegos |
| 11 Ireland Babbitt | 27 Jennifer Johnson |
| 11 Randal Davis | 27 Michelle Nelsen |
| 11 Karen Hosler | 28 Shauna Gipe |
| 11 Linsey McBride | 28 Aimee Mouw |
| 12 Bryan Frederick | 28 Sandra Reed |
| 12 Laura Mckenna | 29 Amy Kutz |
| 12 Ethan Rocha | 29 Jennifer Robers |
| 13 Sean Bond | 29 Trisha Shuck |
| 13 Pamela Crawford | 29 Tammy Tomman |
| 13 Rita Hart | 30 Kevin Anderson |
| 13 Johnny Hearn | 30 Lisa Armstrong |
| 13 Sara Rivera | 30 Mariana Bermudes |
| 14 Cheryl Ackert | Martinez |
| 14 John Foust | 30 Teresa Craft |
| 14 Sherri Garcia | 30 Calya Crane |
| 14 Chelsi Hey | 30 Vanessa Gutierrez |
| 14 Becky Romano | 31 Jaziel Chavira |
| 15 Tyradenay Brands | 31 Therica Heeren |
| 15 Sandra Ryan | 31 Lindsay Melendrez |
| 15 Lisa Schantz | 31 Elliott Mertes |
| 16 Ivy Brown | |

Scrubs Pop Up Shop

**CGH
Ryberg Auditorium
Tuesday, October 1
6:30am-4pm**

**PAYROLL DEDUCT, CREDIT CARDS
& CASH ACCEPTED**

**Shop for Tops, Bottoms,
Jackets, Shoes, Socks,
and Accessories!**

1536 Ogden Avenue Downers Grove, IL
630-969-9241



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Hospital Happenings

CGH Online Logo Apparel Store

The CGH Logo Apparel online store is now OPEN through Friday, October 4. Unsure of a style or size? Samples will be available at the October 1 Scrubs Pop Up Shop.

Blood Pressure and Blood Sugar Screenings

Screenings are held on the first Thursday of the month (**October 3**) from **8 to 9:30 a.m.** in the CGH Main Clinic lobby; second Thursdays (**October 10**), from **11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.** in the CGH Medical Center lobby; third Thursdays (**October 17**), from **3 to 4:30 p.m.** at County Market in Sterling; and third Fridays (**October 18**) at Westwood Fitness & Sports Center from **8 to 9:30 a.m.**



Yoga Class

Yoga class is being offered at 2600 N. Locust on **Monday, September 30 at 5:15 p.m.** The instructor is Sherry Prescott and the cost is \$5 per class. Class length is approximately 60 minutes and is open to anyone. If you have a yoga mat, please bring one. Wear comfortable, loose fitting clothing.

