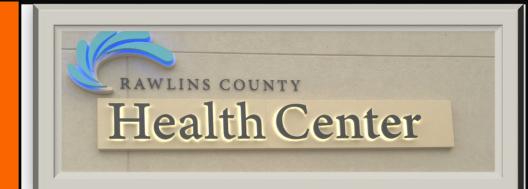
October 2016 Newsletter



IMPORTANT CHANGES

Rawlins County Health Center transitioned to a new electronic health computer system, Athenahealth. One important change for patients is Rawlins County Health Center statements will come from Maine. If a payment is made via mail, the address will also be Maine. Patients can still drop payments off at the hospital/clinic or pay online at www.rchc.us.

Patients will need to bring their driver's license, insurance cards, and copays to every visit.

The transition has been smooth. The Athena trainers have been very complimentary of RCHC staff and how well we work together to support each other through the workflow changes we are embracing. "We have remained focused and determined to figure out the new systems and make them work for us" stated Sharon Cox, CEO. "The Athena systems are foundational to providing healthcare services to Rawlins County for many years to come."



Rawlins County Health Center employees show support for Breast Cancer Awareness by wearing pink on Friday's during October.

RAWLINS CLINIC UPGRADES

Rawlins Clinic recently added an automatic door to help with patients in wheelchairs and on crutches.

A capital campaign donor has purchased two vital sign machines to help the clinic nursing staff. A second capital campaign donor purchased a baby scale, urinalysis analyzer for the clinic lab, a keyless entry lock for the immunization refrigerator room, and a digital camera for the new electronic health system.

Rawlins Clinic and Rawlins County Health Center appreciate the continued support of the Rawlins County Hospital Foundation and the capital campaign donors!







EMPLOYEE COOKBOOKS

Rawlins County Health Center Employee Cookbooks are on sale for \$15. Please purchase them through the Rawlins County Health Center Front Admissions Desk. They make a perfect stocking stuffer!

POINTS TO PONDER

Halloween Safety Tips

*Trick or Treat With an Adult. Children under the age of 12 should not be alone at night without adult supervision. If kids are mature enough to be out without supervision, remind them to stick to familiar areas that are well lit and trick-or-treat in groups.

*Keep costumes Both Creative and Safe. Decorate costumes with reflective tape. If possible, choose light colors. Choose face paint and makeup whenever possible instead of masks, which can obstruct a child's vision. Have kids carry glow sticks or flashlights to help them see and be seen by drivers. Make sure the costume is not too long to prevent trips and falls.

*Drive extra carefully on Halloween. Slow down and be vigilant in residential areas. Children are excited on Halloween and may move in unpredictable ways. Look for children at intersections, on medians, on curbs, in the street, behind parked cars, in driveways and alleys. Popular trick-or-treat hours are 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. so be especially alert during those hours.

*Examine treats before allowing the child to eat them. Any package that appears to be tampered with should be discarded. Homemade treats should be allowed only when the parent knows the person that prepared them is trustworthy.

EMPLOYEE GOLD STARS

Thank You, Jennifer Hurst, for your support and assistance in smoothing out bumps in the path for two different but related patients!

While visiting a friend in the hospital, a visitor noticed that the nursing staff did a great job of explaining that computer work was taking a little longer to process with the new computer system. The nurse excitedly commented that "Once nursing gets more comfortable with the system, things will be much better."



SPECIALTY CLINIC

WOUND CARE CENTER

Kyle Herspring, PA-C November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

CARDIOLOGISTS

SURGEON

Dr. Denney November 3, 16 D

Dr. Kopriva November 5, 19

Dr. Markiewicz November 14

Dr. Freund December 12

UROLOGIST

Dr. Catanese By Appointment

ORTHOPEDICS

Dr. Sears December 14

MENTAL HEALTH

High Plains Mental Health November 10

New Beginnings Counseling November 3, 10, 17



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Rawlins Clinic Open M-F 8:30 am—12 pm, 1pm—5pm and Saturday 9 am—12 pm