Newsletter



August 2022

Annual Requirements - OVERDUE

VOLUNTEER

If you have not completed one or more of your annual requirements (Annual Training and/or Self Review) you have been marked <u>NON-COMPLIANT</u> in our data base. This means you are not eligible to volunteer until you have completed the missing requirement(s) – and for some that includes a TB skin test. Call your Volunteer Office to determine what steps are needed to become ACTIVE once again.

We appreciate everyone's support as we try to follow regulations set by The Joint Commission.

SAVE THE DATE!! VOLUNTEER FALL PICNIC LUNCH TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 DETAILS COMING SOON



Volunteer Spotlight "Paws For Patients" Volunteers



Some may call the month of August the lazy, hazy days of summer, but our pet therapy volunteers consider them the "dog days of summer!"

Here are some fun photos of how our furry friends are spending their Summer when they aren't bringing joy and love to our patients, families, and staff in the halls of St. Elizabeth!



St. Elizabeth Edgewood Now Ranked Best Hospital in Kentucky

The U.S. News & World Report released its latest Best Hospitals rankings earlier this week and St. Elizabeth Edgewood is tied for the top spot in Kentucky. U.S. News and World Report's Best Hospitals ranking evaluates hospitals in more than 30 medical and surgical services.

Throughout Kentucky, 120 hospitals were evaluated, and St. Elizabeth Edgewood and the University of Kentucky Albert B. Chandler Hospital were deemed the #1 hospital in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Along with Edgewood, Florence and Ft. Thomas were also recognized by the rankings as "high performing" in several areas.

Many patients and their physicians rely on the U.S. News rankings as a guide in making informed decisions about where to receive quality care. These rankings show that we are not only a leader in our area, but also throughout the state and region. Our reputation is important. When members of our community are ill or have a family member in need of care, they know St. Elizabeth is a place where they can receive the highest-quality care. They know they can count on us.

More importantly, though, this ranking is an objective validation and recognition of the extraordinary teamwork, talent and commitment of our physicians, associates, and volunteers. Excellence at this level can only be accomplished when we all share a common vision. Our Senior Leadership team and I cannot thank you enough for all you do within your individual role every day, and for your steadfast dedication to our patients, community and one another.

Garren Colvin, President & CEO

Counties Back in RED

With COVID infection and hospitalization rates on the rise again, wearing a <u>surgical mask</u> at all St. Elizabeth locations is required. Thank you for putting your cloth mask aside for a rest! Surgical masks are supplied at all locations.

Youth Leaders For Community Health (Y.L.C.H.) Kicks Off

A new two-year program for juniors and seniors in high school kicked off virtually on Friday, July 29. Nineteen students attended the first day.

Youth Leaders for Community Health is a new multifaceted, two-year program for rising High School Juniors in which students will learn about current healthcare issues and become ambassadors for their schools and community.

Programs will take place once a month, during school hours, and will address topics such as housing inequality, food insecurity, building leadership skills, and more.

WELCOME NEW VOLUNTEERS

Please give a warm welcome to the volunteers who joined our team in July:

Sue Alvarez Grace Dunderman Natalie King Tina Mohr Macy Bain Brooke Durling Katie Meyer Taylor Peach

Shannen Veit



LOOK FOR FLU SHOT INFORMATION IN THE SEPTEMBER VOICE

Wellness Corner

Blood Pressure Checks

8/2: **Ft. Thomas** Cafeteria, 11am to 1pm 8/10: **Dolwick** Room 2103, 11am to 1pm 8/23: **Covington** Room A, 1:30 to 2:30 pm 8/31: **Edgewood** Cafeteria,11:30am to 1:30pm

8/30: Florence Cafeteria, 11am to 1pm

Chair Massage

8/12: Florence LLCR,11am to 2 pm

- 8/12: Edgewood Conf Rm G, 10am to 1 pm
- 8/17: Grant Conf Rm, 11 am to 2 pm

Register by calling (859) 301-6285; \$10-\$20