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2022 Outstanding Partner in Prevention



From left, Laura Bruce, Tri-County Mental Health Program Development Specialist, Cameron Myer, Excelsior Springs Hospital CFO, Kristen DeHart, Excelsior Springs Hospital CEO, Julie Mees, Excelsior Springs SAFE Director, and Vicky Ward, Tri-County Mental Health Manager of Prevention and Wellness.

“Now, more than ever we need leaders, organizations, agencies, and partners to come up with creative, proactive and detailed strategies to build a strong foundation of health for all people. That’s why I am very honored and privileged to announce the recipient of the 2022 Outstanding Partner in Prevention award is Excelsior Springs Hospital,” stated Laura Bruce, program development specialist of Tri-County Mental Health Services.

The Nortland Coalition and Tri-County Mental Health Services honored outstanding members during its 2022 Prevention Conference on March 4. Platte County Health Department was also a conference sponsor.

“Excelsior Springs Hospital has not only participated in partnership with prevention, but over the past five years, they’ve intentionally worked pre-

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Hello and Happy March!

The adage about “if you don’t like the weather, wait a day and it will change” comes to mind this week. From record high-temps to snow and ice – bring on Spring!

We are excited to see our COVID numbers coming down! Today’s count is the lowest that we have seen in quite some time and I feel relieved and excited about our future seasons to come, hopefully without masks soon! I continue to be so very appreciative of our staff, caregivers and those in the community who continue to take the time to go the extra mile to keep our community healthy!

We have had another non-stop month, full of educational opportunities and conferences, both inside and out in the community. I was honored to accept this year’s Northland Coalition’s Community Partner Award, presented to Excelsior Springs Hospital this year at the Northland Prevention Conference. Excelsior Springs was represented well with the hospital award, and Dr. Stricklands phenomenal presentation, “How Your Local Doctor Can Be One of Your Most Effective Partners on The Front Line of Addiction” was well received by conference attendees. Additionally, our very good friend, John McGovern was awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award that same day. There are very great things going on in and around our community.

I hope that you have seen our new ESH - **Every-one Shines Here** recognition program! We continue to receive great stories about the services and care that our team provides. The cards and compliments are coming in by the dozens and we are thankful and energized by the positive words that our community shares with us.



I hope that you find value in our Vision Newsletters – I love sharing the things that we are doing and hope that it brings information about our services to you. We love to showcase not only our hospital and services, but the great communities that we are a part of. Without community, we are nothing. We value your thoughts and hope that you will continue to share your stories with us and those around you.

St. Patrick’s Day is upon us – don’t forget your green! And Easter is just around the corner – may that Big Bunny find his way to your home with lots of goodies and may the Easter season bring health, happiness and peace to you.

Blessings,

Kristen DeHart



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vention into the hospital's mission, priorities and areas of expertise. As soon as Kristen DeHart became the CEO of Excelsior Springs Hospital in 2017, she became involved in Excelsior Springs SAFE, the local prevention coalition, leading committees, giving presentations and promoting their messages throughout the hospital's platforms," said Laura.

"Excelsior Springs Hospital has put incredible resources into ensuring that they serve the community at large, advocating for programs, funding and policies that support overall well-being of the entire community," said Laura. "Most notably was their advocacy to be included in the Missouri EPICC opiate response program."

While many of these resources went to the bigger cities, ESH is by far the smallest agency implementing these incredible programs. The hospital has been foundational in the Thrive Excelsior initiative, which focuses on increasing quality of

life expectancy in Excelsior Springs, and recently hired a Clinical and Community Health Coordinator to help ensure that community wellness is a sustained priority. By sharing their space and resources freely with Excelsior Springs SAFE, they make collaboration and coordination efficient and hospitable.

"Last year, amidst a global pandemic, the hospital leadership was excited to begin serving as the fiscal agent for the Excelsior Springs SAFE Drug Free Communities grant, taking the coalition, their program director, and their programs under their credible wings! Excelsior Springs Hospital has been vocal about their support of prevention and uses their platform to promote prevention strategies whenever they can. This is what partnership can look like and we are so incredibly thankful for Kristen's leadership, her amazing staff, and the hospital's commitment to prevention!" Laura said during the award presentation.

PEER SPOTLIGHT



Alan Berutti

- *Thank you Alan, for taking such good care of Home Health and Hospice!*
- *Thank you for always being there fast and making everything work for us!*
- *Thanks for helping me on short notice. You are just a nice guy!*



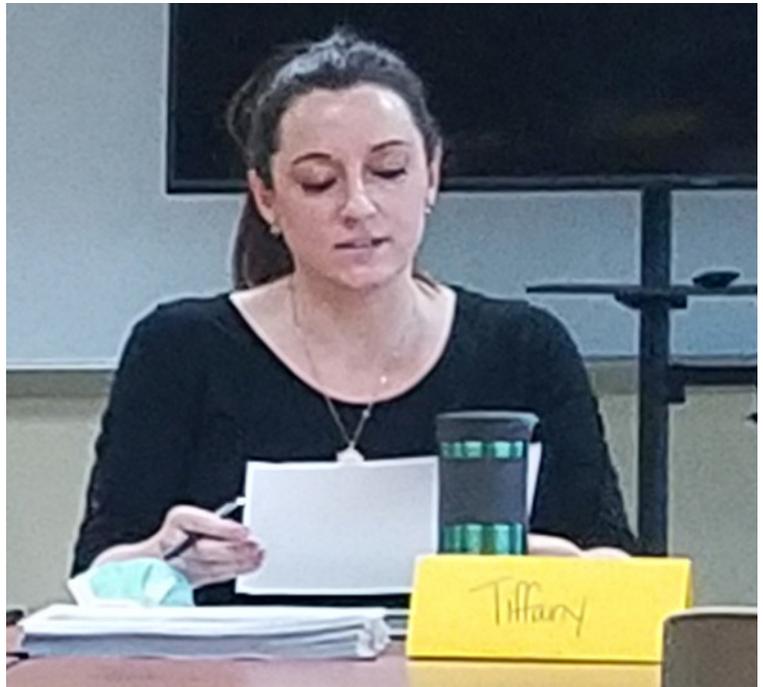
Patient and Family Advisory Committee formed

In an effort to better understand the concerns and needs of patients and their families, the Patient and Family Advisory Committee for the hospital was formed. Their mission is “by openly engaging with patients and their family members, we can improve the patient experience while promoting quality health care to provide hope and healing to every life we touch as the Excelsior Springs Hospital.”

Tiffany Danneman, Director of Social Services, said, “Their perspective is important to us. We often think in clinical terms, so it’s helpful to hear the advice of those participating in our programs.”

It was through the committee that we developed a welcome folder for our patients including a welcome letter, information on our clinical programs, tips for caring for themselves, and a place to put their discharge and medications list. It’s the hope of the hospital’s to hear both positive and challenging feedback to help provide exceptional care to every patient. The committee also serves as a resource link between patients, families, and health care providers.

Currently there are eight members of the community that are serving on the committee that



Tiffany Danneman, Director of Social Services led the orientation of committee members during their first meeting.

meets quarterly. Members of the committee must have been a patient or a family member of a patient at the hospital in the past five years.

For more information, visit the hospital website at <https://eshospital.org> or reach out to Tiffany at 816-629-2733.



Health and Wellness Calendar

23rd - 11:30 AM

Physician Practices and How We Can Help presented by Troy Grizzle

28th - 11:30 AM

You Can Make an Impact: Supporting The Next Generation’s Mental Health presented by SAFE

Classes will be held at the Excelsior Springs Community Center | 500 Tiger Drive

SPECIALTY PHYSICIAN CLINICS - FEBRUARY 22

All clinics are subject to change due to the recent COVID-19 pandemic.
We encourage patients to call 816-629-2700 prior to your scheduled appointment.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	1 Rheumatology - Dr. Chaudhry Rheumatology - Dr. Scott	2 Dermatology - Dr. Tonkovic GI Clinic - Dr. Cornette Urology - Dr. Aberger	3 Orthopedics - Dr. Cornett Podiatry - Dr. Shemwell Pulmonary - Dr. Patel	4 Pain Management - Dr. Hamilton
7 Oncology - Dr. Beeki Surgery - Dr. Nespory	8 Rheumatology - Dr. Chaudhry Rheumatology - Dr. Scott	9 Urology - Dr. Kozminski	10 Orthopedics - Dr. Justice Podiatry - Dr. Shemwell	11 Pain Management - Dr. Hamilton
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**Excelsior Springs
Hospital Pharmacy**
Transfer Prescriptions: 816-629-3576
Extended Hours: 7:30 am - 7 pm



A Community Health Fair

Spring Into Health

April 30, 2022 - 9 AM to 3 PM

ES Community Center Parking Lot

Over 20 different interactive booths from our community health and wellness partners, such as:

- Excelsior Springs Hospital Services
- SAFE
- Senior Life Solutions
- Tri-County Prevention and Awareness
- Clay County Public Health
- Excelsior Springs Police Department
- THRIVE
- Good Samaritan Center
- Job Corp
- And many more!

Food Trucks:

- Donnell's Kitchen Playlist
- 50 Gram Foods

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And much more*