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Local Providers Celebrated as Community Looks to a Brighter Future

RCHD celebrated National Doctors' Day on March 30.

PECOS, Texas (March 26, 2021) – Quality healthcare and compassionate providers are important to the health of our community. Over the past year, providers have proved more critical than ever as our community has faced the COVID-19 pandemic.

With a light seemingly at the end of the tunnel in view, this year's National Doctors Day (March 30) takes on a special significance.

"We are thankful for all the dedicated providers of our community who have been on the front lines of this deadly pandemic," said Brenda McKinney, CEO of Reeves County Hospital District. "They have worked tirelessly to care for those who need it the most and to protect our community during a time of great need."

Reeves County Hospital District boasts a large team of providers who offer a variety of healthcare services, such as family practice, radiology, surgery and emergency services.

McKinney noted that these services continue to be available during the COVID-19 pandemic. She emphasized the importance of not skipping needed healthcare services due to fear of the illness.

"Your health matters," she said. "We have taken steps to protect your safety and you can take comfort knowing that a compassionate team of providers is ready to care for you – whether it is an emergency or a routine screening that will help you protect your health."

As the community looks to the future of healthcare, construction is underway on a new hospital campus for RCHD, which will allow for expanded healthcare services.

The new hospital campus, expected to open in fall of this year, will boast more than 140,000 square feet of space to house general facilities with 25-beds, expanded space for core services including a larger

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emergency department, and upgraded technology. The new campus will also be in better compliance with requirements for disabled patients and visitors.

RCHD has continued to grow with the community over the years, adding new providers in a variety of specialties. In addition to family medicine, Reeves County residents can find providers in a variety of specialties such as women's health and general surgery at both the hospital and the Pecos Valley Rural Health Clinic, a service of Reeves County Hospital District.

National Doctors' Day is an opportunity to celebrate the work of all the healthcare providers in communities like ours. Inspired by the anniversary of the first use of anesthesia by Dr. Crawford W. Long in 1842, Eudora Brown Almond, wife of Dr. Charles B. Almond, proposed the celebration as a way to show appreciation for the work of doctors everywhere.

The U.S. House of Representatives passed a resolution in 1958 commemorating Doctors' Day. With approval of Congress in 1990, President George H.W. Bush signed a resolution officially designating March 30 as National Doctors' Day.

This week and all year long please join RCHD in celebrating the providers who help keep our community safe and healthy:

Reeves County Hospital District

- Steven Serrano, DO Family Practice/OB, Chief of Staff
- Deitrick L. Gorman, D.O. Family Practice/OB,
- William Kutsche, MD OB/GYN
- Louis McIntire, MD Family Practice/OB
- James Tarin, MD Family Practice
- Subhash Nagalla, MD General Surgery

- Asif Ansari, MD Nephrologist
- Anand Reddy, MD Nephrologist
- Sandra Anim, FNP
- Brandi Eakin, PA-C
- Teresa Evan, FNP
- Shellece Lowe, FNP
- Bob Rice, FNP

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According to McKinney, one of the best ways to honor their work is to ensure that you caught up on important healthcare services and preventive screenings.

"Schedule an appointment with your provider to ensure you are in good health as we look forward to a brighter future," McKinney said. "We need to continue taking steps to protect each other from COVID-19, but we are excited that the end of this pandemic is in sight. We have a lot to look forward to."

To learn more about local medical services and providers, visit www.reevescountyhospital.com or call (432) 447-3551 to schedule an appointment.

About Reeves County Hospital District

Reeves County Hospital District (RCHD) provides healthcare services for people in Reeves County and neighboring communities in West Texas. Founded in 1954, RCHD, a Level IV Trauma Center, offers a wide variety of medical services, including emergency care, diagnostic radiology, physical therapy, general surgery, a clinical laboratory and more. RCHD also operates American Home Health and Hospice and the Pecos Valley Rural Health Clinic, which offers family care, immunizations and other medical services. For more information, please visit www.reevescountyhospital.com.

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