OUR VISION: TO IMPROVE HEALTH

ANNUAL REPORT 2019
Representing Fiscal Year | July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019
Mission
To excel in providing healthcare by understanding and responding to the individual needs of those we serve.

Vision
To improve health.

Values

HOSPITAL | CLINIC LOCATIONS

Newton Medical Center
600 Medical Center Dr.
Newton | 316.283.2700
HOME TO
Acute Care Hospital
Emergency Department
Maternal Child Unit
Inpatient Therapy & Rehabilitation
Imaging & Laboratory Services

Newton Surgery Center
800 Medical Center Dr.
Newton
HOME TO
Advanced Neurology Consultants*
Diabetes & Endocrinology Specialists*
Orthopedics & Sports Medicine*
Surgical Groups*
Wound Healing & Hyperbaric Center

Newton Medical Park
118 E. 12th Street
Newton | 316.281.9700

Convenient Care Walk-In Clinic

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3 Specialty Clinics*
4 Primary Care Clinics
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Newton Medical Park
1715 Medical Park Drive
510 Wheatridge Drive
Newton
HOME TO
Home Health & Private Duty
Therapy & Sports Performance

Medical Plaza of Valley Center
641 N. Seneca
Valley Center | 316.755.1511

Mid Kansas Family Practice
705 E. Randall Street
Hesston | 620.327.2440

North Amidon Family Physicians
3443 N. Amidon Avenue
Wichita | 316.838.8585

Park City Family Medicine & Midwest Occupational Medicine*
1735 E. 61st Street N.
Park City | 316.440.4466

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Welcome to the Newton Medical Center Annual Report for our most recently-completed fiscal year. Our dedicated hospital staff, along with our board of directors, medical staff, and volunteers, devote themselves to ensuring we remain in a constant state of readiness to meet the needs of our communities. This report shares a few of the things we’ve done in the past year to accomplish this.

Our NMC Board of Directors are community leaders who represent diverse occupations and fields of expertise. Their devotion to NMC cannot be overestimated. Local board governance is disappearing in many towns and cities across America as hospitals consolidate or are subsumed by larger systems. Here, our board is comprised of local leaders whose interests lie principally with the communities NMC exists to serve. I remain deeply indebted to our Board members’ leadership and guidance.

Our Medical Staff are steadfast in their support of the hospital. They provide excellent care for all who come through our doors. They guide the hospital clinicians in setting standards of care second to none. They provide excellent guidance to the management and administrative staff in planning for the current and future healthcare needs of our community. I am grateful for our excellent Medical Staff.

NMC employees can only be described as exemplars of health CARE. Words such as knowledgeable, dedicated, resilient, caring, lifetime learners are only a few that come close to what our staff stands for. I am often left in awe at how they join together to protect and defend our patients, each other, this hospital and our community. I am deeply grateful for our excellent hospital staff.

We continued to be named awardees of unsolicited honors (p. 16). These awards are the result of teamwork, intelligence, and cultural insistence upon pride in quality workmanship.

We added key technology, supplies and equipment to place the best tools into our physicians’ and staff’s hands. Teams of staff developed and innovated automated surveillance systems for antibiotic stewardship, sepsis, and dismissal planning. And several teams spent a good part of the year preparing for the initiation of new service lines that we’ll announce in FY 2020.

We’re developing part of our property for public use to be known as the NMC Healthy Lifestyles Campus. In an effort to improve the community’s health, we are determined to help people prevent or reduce the effects of chronic illness by living healthier lifestyles.

Our front lake is fully stocked with a balanced mix of healthy fish. We added an ADA accessible fishing dock, and soon will be announcing exciting three-phase development of our walking path, fruit orchard, butterfly habitat with pollinators, and Giving Garden. All of these improvements are designed to bring people to our campus in an effort to stay well. Project funding is being sought through grants and charitable donations.

We expanded our clinic reach into north Wichita, adding to our existing clinics in Hesston, Valley Center, Park City, and throughout Newton. We are proud to have added physicians, nurse practitioners and physician assistants to our various clinic locations as well as our hospital-based staffs in the Emergency Department and Hospitalist programs. We celebrated the third anniversary of our successful nocturnal hospitalist program.

In November 2018, we opened the Barrick and Kristi Wilson Terrace, a unique outdoor therapeutic garden for the exclusive use of our geriatric-psychiatry unit, “Generations,” and the only one like it in this greater region. It was built entirely from donated funds. Our 2018 Annual Giving Appeal raised all the funds for beautiful new furniture along our main corridor. We also replaced furniture in our Critical Care Unit’s family seating area. I am so grateful for the benevolent hearts who provided these gifts. When we receive gifts, we can devote our operating funds directly into patient care needs, which helps us serve our community with improved or new services.

Thank you for your support of YOUR community through Newton Medical Center. It is a privilege to serve you and your families.

Sincerely,

Vallerie L. Gleason
President & CEO

TO IMPROVE HEALTH: NMC announced a new vision statement which fully encompasses the scope of NMC’s mission to excel in providing healthcare by understanding and responding to the needs of those we serve.

DID YOU KNOW?
Charles Craig, MD  
Chief Medical Officer

Brenda Harkins, MD  
Medical Staff President

Medical Staff Committee Chairs:
- Credentials ................................................ Robyn Hartvickson, MD
- Education/Library .................................. Charles Craig, MD
- Emergency Medicine/Critical Care .......... Colin Windham, MD
- Infection Control/Antibiotic Stewardship ... Shelley Jones, MD

Service Line Medical Directors:
- Cardiovascular .................................... Jennifer Koonts, MD
- Critical Care ....................................... John Flesher, MD
- Emergency Services ............................ Colin Windham, MD

- Did You Know?  
  - 105 active medical staff work at NMC
  - 92 additional providers have courtesy/affiliation at NMC
  - 5 new providers were hired by NMC during 2018-2019

NMC Welcomed
- John Hart, MD  |  Mid Kansas Family Practice
- Jodi Metzger, MD  |  North Amidon Family Physicians
- Sharon Norris, MD  |  North Amidon Family Physicians
- Jered Windsorski, MD  |  Newton Surgical Group, General Surgery
- Margaret Yoder  |  Park City Family Practice & North Amidon Family Physicians
In February, NMC partnered with Shriners Hospitals for Children of St. Louis, Missouri. A new telehealth clinic in the Newton Surgery Center provides children and families with increased access to orthopedic pediatric specialists. With the support of NMC’s Newton Orthopedics & Sports Medicine team, Shriners patients receive consultations from physicians and caregivers in St. Louis, via new state-of-the-art telehealth equipment. NMC was identified as the ideal organization to partner with based on the hospital’s established telemedicine program. The partnership provides much-needed specialized care, while helping families in Kansas and surrounding states save money on transportation costs to the St. Louis hospital.

NMC is dedicated to supporting our communities with 5-star care. Through continued growth in services and locations, NMC aims to provide extensive healthcare to patients, allowing them to stay in their community and receive care from professionals personally committed to their health.

Partial knee replacement capabilities were added to NMC’s existing menu of joint replacement services, total hip and total knee. Using Stryker’s Mako Robotic Arm-Assisted technology, surgeons can now create a patient-specific 3D plan and perform precision joint replacements with a high degree of accuracy and faster rates of healing.

North Amidon Family Physicians joined the NMC family on March 1, 2019, as the organization’s first clinic in Wichita, KS. The move came when previous owners, Drs. Maureen Roos and David Wall, retired after 40 years of practicing medicine. “For the past few years, our greatest fear has been the real possibility that the practice we have built over the past twenty-six years would end at our retirement,” said David Wall, MD. “After meeting with NMC, we were put at ease with knowing our patients would be in good hands. Not only does the organization have a great reputation, but a large part of our patients reside in the hospital’s service area.” “We’re privileged to help continue the legacy Drs. Roos and Wall have built,” added Alex Haines, NMC Vice President of Clinic Operations. “It is important for us to continue providing excellent service to these patients and their families.”

This year, NMC began offering outpatient physical therapy services specifically for concussion management at Newton Therapy & Sports Performance. In coordination with the patient’s physician, NMC therapists provide specific, objective measures for patients to return safely to normal activities. Concussion management services include exercise therapy, manual therapy, vestibular and vision therapy.

At the end of the fiscal year, NMC began a multi-month, $1.8 million construction project to bring updated MR and Nuclear Medicine technology to the community. The updated technology will provide faster scans with greater detail and a more comfortable patient experience. Expected completion is September 2019.
Improving Health THROUGH PREVENTION

NMC is moving beyond simply treating illnesses to caring for the community before, during and after any hospital stay.

OPIOID USE
NMC and the Medical Staff commit to addressing the opioid epidemic by reducing usage, encouraging alternative pain management, and improving monitoring and patient education.

NO CONFUSION
NMC transitions to plain language emergency codes to improve hospital safety and eliminate patient and visitor confusion.

FALL PREVENTION
Shake It - Don’t Break It! bottles filled with salt and sand protected NMC staff during inclement weather.

A Healthy Lifestyles Campus
The future of health care must advance beyond treating the ill to preventing illness through healthier living. NMC is taking the next step in health by developing the campus grounds for public use, to be known as the NMC Healthy Lifestyles Campus. In an effort to improve our community’s health and inspire families to live better, we are determined to help people prevent or reduce the effects of chronic illness by living healthier lifestyles.

HELPING PARTNERS
A dedicated Newton Police office increases presence at the hospital and provides space for NPD officers to complete paperwork.

HEART HEALTH
NMC literally shines a light on heart health month. Evening drivers are greeted by a giant, two-story red heart reminding them to #BeKind to their heart.

SAFE SURROUNDINGS
New and brighter exterior building and parking lot lighting was added. Repairs were started on damaged curbs and pavement in parking lots.

A refreshed walking trail with fitness stations equipped for all ages will encourage physical and family activity on the NMC campus.

An expanded walking path, butterfly refuge, Giving Garden and orchard will promote healthy habits and allow for fresh produce donations.

FUNDRAISING INITIATIVES

POND REVITALIZATION
In 2017, donors generously provided funds for 6,000 fish to be added to the NMC pond, including catfish, bluegill, minnows and crayfish. This past year, mature bass were added to the mix, making the pond a completely balanced habitat for its size and purpose.
NMC Management Staff and the Harvey County Medical Society were recognized in May for their donations.
Improving Health THROUGH PREVENTION

NMC took on America’s #1 killer head on this fiscal year. A new test to detect heart disease is helping to save lives every day.

JUST DO IT!

As Christmas approaches, most of us are making sure the shopping is done, the gifts are wrapped and the house is ready for guests. Last December, Norma Johnson’s holiday list looked very different.

A visit to her doctor the week before Christmas led to her having a coronary calcium screening at Newton Medical Center.

The results changed her life.

A high score on a test usually means good things, but on this test it meant there was a strong chance she had a blockage in her heart. Now, her holiday planning turned into a checklist for surgery in January.

Norma had a family history of heart disease, and she had lost loved ones to the illness. Because of this, she had been watching her diet and regularly exercising for years.

She felt fine but had noticed a couple of irregular heartbeats that would quickly go back to normal, which is why her doctor’s office ordered the test.

Coronary calcium scoring is a quick, non-invasive imaging test that NMC added in June 2018 to help prevent life-threatening heart attacks. The test can identify the buildup of calcium in your arteries before you have any symptoms.

Luckily, Norma’s condition was caught early so she qualified for a less invasive procedure to clear the blockage.

“If the possibility of this scan wouldn’t have been there,” commented Norma. “Even with my exercising, at what point would I have had a ‘heart event?’”

As she prepared for getting multiple stents put into her heart, Norma decided she wasn’t going to let this change her life. She had run the Emma Creek 5K for years and wasn’t going to let this diagnosis keep her from entering the race only a few months away.

A day after surgery, Norma was back home and ready to start her rehabilitation. She worked for 12 weeks with NMC’s cardiac rehab team. They helped educate her on identifying hidden sugar and sodium in many of the foods she had previously considered healthy. They prescribed and monitored physical activity to ensure that Norma’s heart was healing well and that her blood was getting enough oxygen.

She made new friends throughout her recovery and proudly graduated the program days before the race.

“After crossing the finish line on April 27, 2019, Norma proudly posed in her new Emma Creek t-shirt. She shares her story and encourages others to take advantage of the coronary screening.

As someone who pursued a Masters of Public Health before medical school, Newton Medical Center’s vision to develop a structural environment that encourages healthy living is inspiring. I enjoy working with amazing visionaries who have the full picture of health for our community as their guiding force.

NMC is filled with visionaries like this. From the executive team and board of directors to the medical staff and employees, everyone is committed to improving the health of our patients and community. It’s a great place to work when everyone’s passion aligns and it is for serving others to improve health.
With every generation comes technological breakthroughs. As innovative technology continues to transform the healthcare landscape, NMC continually searches for improved ways to serve our community. From equipment upgrades to life-altering technology, these are just some of the ways NMC enhanced patient care this fiscal year.

**ELECTRONIC MEDICAL RECORD SURVEILLANCE**

If you’re a patient in the NMC hospital, our clinicians can now quickly see and address your high-risk needs with our updated electronic medical record (EMR) reporting, surveillance and alert dashboard.

**INTRAVENOUS PUMPS**

NMC invested in 116 new intravenous (IV) pumps this year to reduce opportunities for error. Dispensing IV medication is now digitally pre-set, eliminating a need for manual entry.

**NURSE CALL LIGHT SYSTEM**

A new call light system allowed NMC to improve patient care this year. The new system monitors and tracks the response time for each and every call light to ensure prompt action on patient needs.

**ANTIMICROBIAL STEWARDSHIP**

Drug-resistant bacteria are a growing world health concern. NMC’s pharmacy director Allen Graber and informatics director Kelly Lippold worked with our EMR vendor to develop an automated, real-time system to monitor antibiotic therapy. This new system allows us to quickly identify, track and respond to antibiotic resistance.

Thanks to this innovation and partnership, more than a thousand hospitals will gain access to this new tool for improving patient safety and health.

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- Encouraging exercise and movement with planting beds and a natural circular walkway.
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“Newton Medical Center strives to be a leader in healthcare. And, whenever possible, we support our medical staff by placing innovative, leading edge technology into their hands. It is part of our commitment to provide our community with outstanding healthcare.”

— Val Gleason, NMC President & CEO

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Opened October 2018
Improving Health THROUGH EXCELLENCE

At NMC, your health is our passion. Our focus is to provide the best possible care and experience for all patients and families. We do this by setting a high bar for quality. We do this by being ever ready to assist and serve. We do this by ensuring safety and holding ourselves to standards that receive top accreditations for our hospital and services.

TOP ACCREDITATIONS

NMC earned The Joint Commission’s Gold Seal of Approval® for Laboratory Services Accreditation by demonstrating continuous compliance with its performance standards. The Gold Seal of Approval® is a symbol of quality that reflects an organization’s commitment to providing safe and effective patient care.

HIGHEST CERTIFICATIONS

NMC’s Wound Healing and Hyperbaric Center has received accreditation from the Undersea and Hyperbaric Medical Society (UHMS). UHMS accreditation recognizes those facilities that meet or exceed the highest standards of care and patient safety through rigorous evaluation of the facility’s operation. NMC is the first facility in Central Kansas and only the second in the state to receive this distinction.

PREPAREDNESS

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FACILITY UPGRADES

- Remodeled second floor NSC to accommodate growing medical office needs for Orthopedics, General Surgery, and Endocrinology
- Completely upgraded and remodeled digital radiology room
- Replaced environmental controls at Newton Surgery Center and all Medical office Plaza spaces
- Replaced operating room flooring and doors

5 Star Hospital and Home Care Agency

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) recognized NMC as a 5-Star Hospital for the 4th consecutive year. Based on up to 57 quality measures reflecting common conditions that hospitals treat, the average U.S. hospital rating is 3 stars.

CMS also awarded NMC’s Newton Home Health with 5 stars for excellent patient satisfaction through the Home Health Care Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (CAHPS) Survey.

Great Community Hospital

Since 2016, NMC has been named annually by Becker’s Hospital Review as one of America’s 100 Great Community Hospitals. NMC was selected based on rankings and awards from Vantage Health Analytics and Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

Top 100 Rural & Community Hospital

NMC is one of The Chartis Center for Rural Health’s Top 100 Rural & Community Hospitals in the United States. This designation is based on Vantage’s Hospital Strength INDEX®, the industry’s most comprehensive rating of rural and Critical Access Hospitals.

Outstanding Patient Experience Award

Newton Medical Center has been recognized by Healthgrades® for the third consecutive year for our outstanding patient experience. This distinction places NMC among the top 15 percent of hospitals nationwide for patient experience. In 2019, NMC ranked among the top 5 percent of hospitals for Outstanding Patient Experience.

DID YOU KNOW?

133,953 total NMC patient visits
65,388 hospital patient visits
13,666 emergency room visits
3.7 days average length of inpatient stay

Top 60 Rural Hospital and Health System CEOs to Know

Becker’s Healthcare accepted nominations for this list and considered leaders making a positive impact on their organizations. Following multiple recent five-star ratings and various other recognitions for NMC, Val Gleason was featured as a CEO who leads a hospital which is “consistently recognized by the National Rural Health Association, American Hospital Association and HIMSS as top institutions.”

Performance Leadership Award

NMC was recognized by Vantage Health Analytics and the National Organization of State Office of Rural Health for overall excellence in outcomes, reflecting top quartile performance among all rural acute care hospitals in the nation. Rankings are determined by the Hospital Strength Index®, the industry’s most comprehensive and objective assessment of rural hospital performance.

Cost Effective Wound Management

NMC’s Wound Healing and Hyperbaric Center, in partnership with Midwest Hyperbaric LLC, was awarded the Cost-Effective Wound Management Award from the Journal of Wound Care (JWC). This international award was presented to the two organizations for taking evidence-based, cost-effective measures to ensure better healing of wounds. Their work streamlined formulary products and patient training for consistent quality patient care and efficiency. This resulted in reduced waste and improved outcomes.

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Improving Health THROUGH COMMITMENT

At NMC, we believe that many who work in healthcare do so because caring for others is how they are gifted — it’s what they’re meant to do; it’s who they are. Some refer to it as a “life mission or calling.” At NMC, we work as a team in everything we do — caring for patients and their families, improving transitions of care with other organizations and informing and defending our community.

One such example is National Decisions Day. A day where healthcare organizations across the country inspire, educate and empower the public and other providers about the importance of advance care planning. Collaborating with many civic organizations, NMC’s Jennifer Speer presented this critical information to more than 1,000 individuals in Harvey County last April.

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COMMUNITY SERVICES

- Departmental donation drives
- National Healthcare Decisions Day
- Celebrity Servers fundraiser support
- Caring Closet
- Diabetes Support Group
- Alzheimer’s & Dementia support group
- Sports Screenings
- Concussion Management
- Better Breathers Club
- Alzheimer’s Walk
- Circle of Red speaker support
- American Red Cross Bloodmobile
- 1st Annual Veterans Day celebration
- Car Seat Safety Check events
- Childbirth Education classes

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

- Coalition/Alliances: Long-term care communities (Infection control; navigation; Newton Fire/EMS Community Paramedicine; Tobacco cessation - T-21 ordinance; Shriners Hospital for Children - St. Louis; Newton Police Department
- Patient Navigation: Long-term care communities and hospital
- Antibiotic stewardship - with care homes for new infection control guidelines
- Kelly Edgell, Imaging, trained Newton Fire/EMS on MRI Magnet safety
- Meals on Wheels daily food preparation
- Share the Love fundraiser
- Heart Champion dinner event
- Community Baby Shower

“In developing countries, access to qualified healthcare is rare and often reserved for the wealthy. Last September, five of NMC’s providers and staff traveled to the Dominican Republic to combat this disparity during a week-long medical mission trip organized by Medical Ministry International.

Surgeons Emily Webb, MD, and Kevin Miller, MD, were accompanied by nurse anesthetist Jeff Hansen, operating room nurse Ariel Smith and surgical technician Marcos Campos. They joined an additional 32 medical professionals and provided much needed free medical and surgical care to the Dominican people.

“I remember hearing Dr. Webb talk about how she was asked to go on a mission trip in September’ said Campos. “After learning more about the trip, Ariel and I decided that we both had the time and desire to go help.”

The group of 37 split into two teams. The first traveled to different towns each day with a primary care physician, dentist and optometrist to care for basic needs. The rest, including the team from NMC, performed surgical procedures at a nearby hospital. Dr. Webb and Miller focused on women’s health, while others provided general surgery.

“There were three surgical teams, but only two operating rooms,” explained Dr. Webb. “The gynecology team was spoiled because we got our own room, while the two general surgery teams performed procedures in one room at the same time.”

With limited medical supplies, team members each brought a 20 gallon tub of donated medical supplies, including equipment and medicine. Still, surgical teams washed and re-washed many items that would be thrown away in the States. Surgical gowns were turned into the bottom sheet on the next patient’s operating room bed.

The surgical teams noted that it took some time to get used to the unavailability of basic utilities. “What surprised me the most was the unexpected circumstances that we had to find solutions for,” said Smith. “For example, the hospital didn’t have running water, so when we scrubbed in for surgery, we had to dump a bucket of water over our hands. When the power went out, we used the flashlights on our phones to light the room.”

“Restarting the anesthesia machine multiple times during a procedure took some getting used to,” explained Hansen. “The Dominican people, on the other hand, are so accustomed to the inconsistency that it doesn’t bother them to climb up on the operating table when the power goes out.”

Each day began at 5:45 a.m. with the song ‘One Day at a Time’ playing loud enough for the entire grounds to hear, breakfast and devotional at 6:30 and boarding buses at 7:15.

The team was greeted daily with a crowd of patients. Before each procedure, they prayed with their patients. Spending the day in the OR, they usually left between 5:30 and 6:30 p.m.

Teams worked on major and minor cases, with a growing number of patients served each day. Cases ranged from open gallbladders, hernia repairs, open hysterectomies, and tubal ligation, to what the team called “lops and bumps.” By the end of the week, the three surgical teams performed 73 major and 26 minor procedures.

“I’m impressed that we were able to do 99 procedures with only three OR beds,” said Dr. Webb. By comparison, NMC averages 90 surgical procedures in five ORs.

“The best part of this trip was that we got to do something that we love — surgery — for people who don’t have access to consistent healthcare,” explained Campos.

While those from NMC shared their surgical expertise, the second group treated patients in the local clinics, seeing 128 medical, 65 dental and 224 optometry patients. 1,429 prescriptions were written and 51 pairs of glasses provided. Overall, 661 people were provided health education and 33 accepted Christ into their hearts.

“The team and the people we worked with were incredible. We were all there for one reason — to help the Dominicans and to serve in God’s purpose,” recalled Hansen. “Our team was united as one — surgeons, anesthetists, nurses, scrub techs and general helpers.”

International SERVICE

Jason Roderick, FANS Youth Camp Team for Teens on Godine, Belgium for a week.
Russell Horn, D.O. travelled to Africa to provide medical missionary work and to spread the gospel.
Linda Stucky, Patient Access. Overseas literacy development project for two weeks.
Tera Stucky, Maternal Child; Tony Wahl, Laboratory; Troy Slabach, Pharmacy. Dominican Republic medical mission trip.
Harry Wagner, R.Ph. Ukraine: Five days of clinics in the Roma villages; ministered to about 600 people. NMC donated medicine.
Improving Health THROUGH CELEBRATION

NMC is successful because of the hundreds of dedicated employees committed to our mission. During the 2018-2019 fiscal year, we celebrated some milestones and a lot of staff accomplishments.

Length of Service
NMC honored (pictured left) Cheryl Brunner, Lavonne Janzen, Geraldine Klaassen (not pictured) and Trudy Tolbert for their 40 years of service.

Sandra Qamar Nursing Scholarship Recipients
NMC encourages employees to pursue ongoing learning whenever possible. This year we honored these exceptional nurses who are furthering their education to make an even greater impact in our community, with the Sandra Qamar Scholarship.
Sarah Blosser - Master of Science in Nursing
Trista Coffey & Janie Mosqueda - Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Kansas Hospital Association Honors
Congratulations to these two individuals for garnering recognition for their efforts as a committed NMC board member and our blood bank manager who’s innovation is making a difference to patients at NMC and around the world.
2018 Trustee of the Year - Jim Heinicke
2018 Health Care Worker of the Year - Aaron Hurst
KHA Leadership Institute Graduates - John Spielman (environmental services) & Kristen Higbee (case management)

Employee HONORS
NMC honored the following staff for meritorious achievements during 2018.

Beyond Our Four Walls Award
Edgar Dominguez, Socorro Espada, Cindy Kerr, and Loretta Thomas

Business Excellence Awards
Amy Bogner, Janet Slater, and the Clinic Reference Lab Task Force Safety Committee

Clinical Quality Excellence Awards
Allison Scott, Mission Possible and Suicide Prevention Task Forces

Great Catch Awards for Safety
Amy Albin, Angela Dickson, Kelly Edgell, Jill Ewy, Shane Meier, Melinda Nachtigall, Mike Nachtigall and Connie Smet

Service Excellence Awards
Justine Christianson, Kami Harris, Cheryl Jackson, Darrell Johnson, Kathy Schrag, John Spielman, and Michelle Wilson

Recognition AWARDS
These awards honor an employee’s dedicated work and are nominated by a co-worker, patient or visitor.
DAISY AWARD (Diseases Attacking the Immune System - Nursing)
Gina Crossman, Chris Lanham, and Cindy Regier

LIFE AWARD (Live It Fully Every Day - Non-clinical Staff)
Les Jackson, chaplain
Cody Barnes, inpatient therapy

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Community Partner Award of Distinction
Newton Meals on Wheels

The Heart of NMC Award
Roberta Loeffler, MD, Kristen Noite, Vickie Smith, and the Emergency Department

Outstanding Individual Achievement
Nancy Davis

Recognizing partners in our pursuit of creating a patient-focused, compassionate, and patient-centered culture.

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KHA Leadership Institute Graduates - John Spielman (environmental services) & Kristen Higbee (case management)

Employee HONORS
NMC honored the following staff for meritorious achievements during 2018.

Beyond Our Four Walls Award
Edgar Dominguez, Socorro Espada, Cindy Kerr, and Loretta Thomas

Business Excellence Awards
Amy Bogner, Janet Slater, and the Clinic Reference Lab Task Force Safety Committee

Clinical Quality Excellence Awards
Allison Scott, Mission Possible and Suicide Prevention Task Forces

Great Catch Awards for Safety
Amy Albin, Angela Dickson, Kelly Edgell, Jill Ewy, Shane Meier, Melinda Nachtigall, Mike Nachtigall and Connie Smet

Service Excellence Awards
Justine Christianson, Kami Harris, Cheryl Jackson, Darrell Johnson, Kathy Schrag, John Spielman, and Michelle Wilson

Community Partner Award of Distinction
Newton Meals on Wheels

The Heart of NMC Award
Roberta Loeffler, MD, Kristen Noite, Vickie Smith, and the Emergency Department

Outstanding Individual Achievement
Nancy Davis

Recognizing partners in our pursuit of creating a patient-focused, compassionate, and patient-centered culture.
Improving Health THROUGH GIVING BACK

As a non-profit organization, NMC is committed to giving back to the communities we serve. We have a lot of help in making this possible with support from our many donors and Community Association volunteers.

Community OUTREACH

NMC made many contributions to the following community organizations in the 2019 fiscal year.

Alzheimer’s Association
American Heart Association
American Legion Baseball
Berean Academy
Bethel College
Bethel College Athletic Department
Bluestem Communities
Central Kansas Community Foundation
Chingwassa Days - Marion, KS
Chisholm Trail Bike Ride
Chingawassa Days - Marion, KS
Central Kansas Community Bluestem Communities
Department
Newton Medical Center
Newton Mid-Kansas Symphony Orchestra
Newton Saddle Club
Newton Bible Christian School
Newton Area Chamber of Commerce
Newton Bible Christian School
Newton Fire Department
Newton Lions Club
Newton YMCA
Newton Mid-Kansas Symphony Orchestra
Newton Recreation Commission
Newton Saddle Club
Newton YMCA
Northridge & Sunset Physical Education
Peabody Community Foundation
Peabody Fall Festival
Prairie View
Presbyterian Manor
Sedgwick Connect (Booster Club)
Summer Daze Festival
Valerie Foundation
Kansat Association of Chiefs of Police
Victory in the Valley
Youth Horizons

Did YOU KNOW?

$6,542,707 in assistance and absorbed care costs

NMC also donates an average of 98 pounds ($363 worth) of food every month to Harvey County Circle of Hope, an initiative that expands opportunities and support for families as they construct their own paths to stability.

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COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

NMC is fortunate to have many groups and organizations that support the hospital. Perhaps the closest to our heart are the members of the NMC Community Association (NMCCA). This dedicated group of volunteers serve patients and staff alike and raise funds throughout the year.

During the Annual Luncheon in April, the NMCCA awarded them a raise funds throughout the year:

NMCCA DONORS

Friend: $1 - 99
Sharon Adrian
Richard Basore
Jack Bender
Leva Bickford
Melody Bontrager
Elizabeth Bowlin
Brenda Church
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Thelma Elliet
Eldon Funk
Sharon Gehring
Raymond Ghere
Jim Graber
Leaatta Gragg
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David Moore
NMC Critical Care
Unit
Deborah Palacios
Helen Paul
Jerry Potter
Loren Reusser
Donald Rogers
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Associate: $100 - 999
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James B. and Barbara A. NMC Clinical Education Endowment Fund
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Emily Webb, MD
Thomas Williams

Foundation

Partners: $5000 - 999
Janet Gunn
Harvey County Medical Society
Sue Harper Ice Trust

Champion: $5000+
Vallorie & Monty Gleason
Karen Moore
NMC Community Association

NMCCA GIFTS

• Treadmill for Cardiovascular & Pulmonary Rehab
• Sensory items to support Gnerations Unit patients with dementia
• Kneeling scooter, massage chair, standing frame, computer software for physical and speech therapy
• Sit to Stand lifting support for the Wound Center
• Central line and port access simulation equipment and accessories for Nursing Education

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Pictured: NMC COO Todd Tangeman entertains Sunflower Cafe diners on the baby grand piano provided by an anonymous donor this year. Pictured front: NMC Generation Unit staff and hospital leaders celebrate the opening of the Barrick & Kristi Wilson Terrace.