



Administrator's Report March 28, 2023

General Hospital District Information Update

COVID -19 State and Local Update: The Granite County Covid-19 community level is considered high at this time, however the state data has a lag time and hasn't been updated since 3/23. We have visitor restrictions in place at this time, as we have 3 positive cases in the facility. We are working with county health to provide the safest environment for our residents and staff, and have implemented a separate Covid area once again. We do continue to screen employees and visitors as well as proper masking.

As of 3/23/23, there were 699 new confirmed cases in Montana last week. There has been a significant rise in cases locally once again.

According to the Montana Response map:

- 331,334 Total cases from Montana
- 879 Active cases in Montana
- 46 Active Hospitalizations
- 3,693 Deaths

Vaccines: Vaccination rates in Granite County are 39% and Montana remains at 53% of its eligible population fully vaccinated. We continue to offer Wednesday vaccination clinics while we have supply.

The Biden Administration recently announced their intent to end the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE) on May 11, 2023. Since the start of the PHE in January 2020, many waivers and flexibility have been granted across the health care industry to reduce administrative burden, increase access to care, and more. Since then, many of the flexibilities have been granted permanent coverage, or given a timeline separate from the PHE. I will be attending a Webinar next week to gather more information on the impact of lifting the PHE.

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Hospital/LTC:

March brought more fun new activities to try. We planted veggies to germinate and grow, had an International Women's Day social, did a leprechaun search around the common areas of the facility, painted on canvas, crafted with Patsy and even painted our own flower pots to container garden in and put out on the patio once the weather gets better. We also celebrated a resident's 100th birthday! Friends, family and staff all joined the party with lots of cake and ice cream. Our normal activities still resumed such as bingo, flex and stretch, brain exercises and beauty day to name a few. We have an all day trip coming up on May 12th 2023 to the Idaho Falls zoo, we are very excited about it and have been planning all winter. We would like to thank H & R for their continued support to make this outing happen.

Department Reports:

Central Supply: Central supply continues to work on the Jumpstock project. The team hopes to start barcoding and tagging supply items in the next few weeks.

Business office: The business office and our receptionist, Shirley have been working on a project to increase clinic visits. They have been calling residents to schedule well child visits as well as regular check-ups. It has been very successful the past couple of weeks, particularly in increasing visits at our Drummond clinic. They have also been working hard to get claims processed quickly and decrease our AR.

Clinics: As mentioned, our Drummond clinic has had increased usage over the past few weeks.

Dietary:

Emergency Preparedness:

Environmental Services: This team has done an excellent job of helping however they can. They are not only doing a great job of keeping the facility clean, but even chipped in to flag traffic for the flight team last week.

IT: As Dave continues to work on his exit plan, he and I have begun meeting with outside teams to possibly provide the services in his absence. We have met with two companies so far.

Laboratory: CLIA, one of our laboratory accreditation agencies, performed a re-accreditation survey last month. We had an excellent survey with only two very minor changes to be made, which have already been implemented. Congratulations to Connie and Tera for their hard work.

Marketing: The marketing team and I have met regarding marketing strategy for the year. We are expanding marketing and recruitment into other areas, as well as featuring write-ups and information regarding our new hires, which is currently Dr. Crose.

Maintenance / Transportation:

Revenue/Services: I have been working with Intermountain Health to provide mobile mammography services to the county. They would have been here last week to check out our facility and make some final decisions, but there was a problem with the new coach. We will be providing the

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service within the next couple of months and then probable quarterly from there. I have also been working with Monida to provide mobile MRI. We are working on the proper electrical needs and site requirements. I am meeting with the driver on Wednesday evening to survey the site for the truck and will hope to offer the service every other week in the months to come. As mentioned earlier, well child visits and check up calls have provided increased visits to in the clinics.

Human Resources:

Open positions:

1-Drummond Environmental Services-Part Time

1-Board Clerk

1-Physical Therapist

1-RN Charge Nurse Nights

1-RN Charge Nurse Days

3-CNA 2 day shift, 1 night shift

1-Medical Assitant – Drummond Clinic

1-Mid –level provider

Brian Beach, FNP has joined the hospital district. Brian has an extensive emergency and trauma background and will be an excellent addition to our medical team. Having Brian join our team will allow us to expand our available days at our Drummond clinic to 4-5 days per week. Brian will be with us around June.

One of our NA's, Makayla, will be taking her certification test in the next couple of weeks. We also have commitment from two other CNA's to join our team before June. With these additions we will be fully staffed with CNA's for the first time since prior to Covid.

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Medical Staff:

- New Credentials: None
- Temporary Privileges: None
- Re-credentialed Providers:
- Resignations: None

Nursing:

February Patient Census

ER Visits	= 31	Swing Bed billable days	= 38
		Observation Days	= 0
Intermediate Swing Bed (LTC)	= 18	Acute billable days	= 13
		Total acute days	= 51
Adult Day Care Visits	= 0	Deaths	= 0

Clinics:

Pburg: 124
Drummond: 18

Physical Therapy:

February total visits: 105
Outpatient: 93
Acute: 0
Swing : 10
LTC: 2

Radiology: We completed 15 CT scans in February

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