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Knox County Hospital District Celebrates Local Healthcare Providers

National Doctors' Day is observed annually on March 30.

KNOX CITY, Texas (March 18, 2022) – Whether you see them for treatment when you are ill or advice on staying healthy, our physicians offer an essential service. To celebrate the fantastic work of our local physicians, Knox County Hospital District (KCHD) is honoring local medical providers on March 30 as part of a nation-wide observance of National Doctors' Day.

"Healthcare providers here at home and across the nation have done so much to care for us, especially over the last two years," says Stephen Kuehler, CEO of KCHD. "Whether our patients were dealing with COVID-19 or a myriad of other conditions, the medical professionals in Knox County never skipped a beat in treating and caring for our community."

National Doctors' Day was first observed on March 30, 1933. 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 to show appreciation for doctors everywhere.

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

The local hospital district has had a long history of serving the residents of Knox County. Tracing its roots back to the mid-1920s, KCHD has remained resilient by continually growing to meet local medical needs. In addition to family medicine, physicians offer medical services in various specialties at the hospital and two clinics in Knox City and Munday.

While many rural communities across Texas have gone without local healthcare services, Knox County continues to relish the availability of convenient and comprehensive medical programs and services.

According to Kuehler, the local medical community continues to thrive. The hospital district continues to review the needs and adjust physician recruitment initiatives based on patient feedback and local medical trends.

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Please join KCHD in showing appreciation for these essential healthcare providers:

- Laura Hart, M.D. – Family Practice
- Leon Joplin, D.O. – Family Practice
- Chris Scott, FNP – Family Nurse Practitioner
- Cindy Guess, FNP-C – Family Nurse Practitioner
- James Kirklin, D.C., FNP-BC – Family Nurse Practitioner

To learn more about local medical services or find a provider, visit www.knoxhospital.org.

About Knox County Hospital District

Founded in 1926, Knox County Hospital District provides healthcare for residents of Knox County and surrounding areas. The district offers a wealth of medical services, including 24-hour emergency care, advanced radiology services, a clinical laboratory, home health, physical therapy, long-term care, patient education, and more. For additional information, please call 940-657-3535 or visit www.knoxhospital.org.

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