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Nursing Team Celebrated During National Nurses Week

Knox County Hospital District honors nurses for their tireless dedication to patient care.

KNOX CITY, Texas (April 28 2023) – Whether you’re visiting your primary care provider, find yourself in an emergency room, or are admitted to the hospital, more than 3 million nursing professionals in the United States are the heart of healthcare in almost every aspect. Celebrating the incredible work of nurses at home in Knox County, and across the nation, Knox County Hospital District is taking part in National Nurses Week, which is observed every year May 6-12.

“Our nurses are on the front line every day, delivering compassionate care to patients at every step,” said Stephen Kuehler, CEO of Knox County Hospital District. “Their tireless work has been even more important the past few years.”

According to Kuehler, the extended scope of services nurses provide, at all of the hospital district facilities, make them valuable medical team members.

“Nurses are the heart of our healthcare team providing essential care and support across our organization,” Kuehler says. “Whether you are in a doctor’s office, the emergency room, or the Munday Nursing Center and everywhere in between, our nursing professionals are truly on the frontline of healthcare. Nurses are among the first healthcare workers you’ll encounter in almost any medical setting.”

National Nurses Week is rooted in the work of the profession’s most notable icon, Florence Nightingale. Often referred to as the “lady with the lamp,” Nightingale made her reputation during the Crimean War when she led a group of 38 nurses on the battleground.

Throughout her journey, Nightingale provided much-needed services to the gravely wounded British troops. As night fell, she continued her mission, lighting the way with her famous lamp.

The week-long celebration begins on May 6 each year, the anniversary of Nightingale’s arrival in Crimea, and ends on her birthday, May 12. In 1974 President Nixon declared these dates as National Nurses Week.

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“Nurses possess the unique ability to work under stress while expressing a deep concern for the wellbeing of every patient,” Kuehler said. “They help keep our local medical services running smoothly, and we are proud of their selfless service here Knox County.”

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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