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RCH reduces rates for outpatient surgery

The Rockcastle County Hospital’s outpatient surgery program has been undergoing an operation of late. This is good news for patients because for that type of surgery have been doubled in the past year, and secondly, because it is a result of an employee contest.

Administrator Barbara Stewart announced that a special effort has been made to cut costs and a commodity program called the Same Day Surgery Center. The Program Saves.

Not only does the program save money, it also saves time. If the required surgery can be done on an outpatient basis it keeps the patient from having an overnight stay. 

"A outpatient surgery is usually done in the operating room, and, if no complications arise, the patient goes home the same day as the operation. Therefore, the Rockcastle County Hospital has been expanding its list of outpatient surgery cases for the same reason," said the director of Dr. A.E.T. Thompson, the hospital’s operating surgeon. He added by an anesthesiologist and an operating room nurse, for the increase in outpatient surgery that the hospital’s patients have neurological problems, as well as Medicare and Medicaid, have started referring their patients for outpatient surgery that could have been done as an outpatient basis.

Several of the procedures performed at the Rockcastle County Hospital are the following: various sizes of wounds, lumps, lumps, minor skin grafts, male and female implants, repairing minor fractures, removal of D & C and biopsy of tumors, breast, cervix and muscle.

Consequently, cleaning procedures and minimal surgeries are also done on an outpatient basis, along with several other operations.

The Rockcastle County Hospital is expanding its role in outpatient surgery as a managed care program in the community. Currently the hospital offers the following services: Restoring Witch, BFA, and DVT, and appendectomy.

Gutierrez begins practice in internal medicine

Dr. Mike Gutierrez took his place on the Rockcastle County Hospital’s medical staff on July 5, adding the specialty of internal medicine to the growing range of services available to the people in the county.

Internal medicine deals with adult diseases that generally do not require surgery. Gutierrez is an internist with an emphasis on cardiology and respiratory diseases. He pointed out that in his practice he will be...full of serious, non-life-threatening problems, such as diabetes and high blood pressure.

He said, "I think, more than anything else, the one thing I can offer the people in this county that they don’t have now is the ability to take care of the seriously ill patients while they’re going on to Lexington."

Gutierrez, a native of Gatesville, Colo., completed his undergraduate degree in chemistry at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore. He then went back to his home state and entered the University of Colorado Medical School. After finishing there, he came to the University of Kentucky Medical Center to do his residency, general internal medicine, which he just completed in June. Gutierrez and his wife, Allison, have lived in Mt. Vernon since November. Mrs. Gutierrez will be commuting to the University of Kentucky. She will work in Lexington on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday and Friday. Dr. Gutierrez will be commuting to the University of Kentucky. He will work in Lexington on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday and Friday.

Candy Stripers learn nursing skills, get feel of hospital

The Rockcastle County Hospital’s Same-Day Surgery Center saves time and money for patients having outpatient surgery at the Rockcastle County Hospital. Diane White, right, and Dave Carroll look, right, both work under Dr. A.E.T. Thompson, the hospital’s staff surgeon. The hospital has drastically reduced its outpatient surgery fees to make that type of operation save money as well as time and allows patients to recover in the comforts of home.

Two operating room nurses help a patient girl get ready to go home after having outpatient surgery at the Rockcastle County Hospital. Diane White, right, and Dave Carroll look, right, both work under Dr. A.E.T. Thompson, the hospital’s staff surgeon. The hospital has drastically reduced its outpatient surgery fees to make that type of operation save money as well as time and allows patients to recover in the comforts of home.

At the Rockcastle County Hospital, five teenagers recently completed the summer orientation for volunteer Candy Stripers. The sessions are Sandy, Sandy, Julia, Josie Mccormick and Kristie Vaughn. The volunteers were oriented by the hospital’s training director, Betty Purcell, who is a registered nurse.

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