MERCY CLINICS MIDWIFERY NOW OFFERING NURSE MIDWIFE SERVICES

A new Mercy clinic will be providing a service expecting mothers are looking for – nurse midwife care. Diane Clevenger, ARNP, WHNP, CNM, and Lori Steinmann, ARNP, FNP, CNM, are the first nurse midwives to join Mercy Clinics Midwifery.

The clinic will offer a full spectrum of services, including: obstetric consultations, pre-natal and post-natal care, routine gynecological health services, family planning and counseling, obstetric ultrasounds and more. Mercy Clinics Midwifery is available for women with low-risk pregnancies. Diane and Lori will primarily deliver babies at Mercy West Lakes; however, delivering at Mercy’s central campus is also an option.

Prior to joining Mercy, Diane was employed by Covenant Medical Center in Waterloo, and Lori was in private practice in Des Moines. Diane is a certified nurse midwife and women’s health nurse practitioner. Lori is a certified nurse midwife and a family practice nurse practitioner.

Mercy Clinics Midwifery will share space with the Perinatal Center of Iowa at 330 Laurel St., Ste. 2300. For more information or to schedule an appointment, please call (515) 643-6869.

ANOTHER GREAT LIVE UP MOMENT

A letter from a grateful patient

On April 10, I was admitted to the Emergency Department due to a motorcycle accident. I was in pretty bad shape, with a broken pelvis and a fractured skull. All I remember is waking up in room 594, three days later with an external pelvic fixator, a huge (but colorful) left eye and several doctors and nurses coming and going. During my 13-day stay at Mercy, I was grateful to be surrounded by the “A-Team”! Every single doctor, nurse, nursing assistant and even the lady that cleaned my room were awesome! Each was very professional, attentive, knowledgeable, and truly passionate in their field. I could not have asked for better care.

I hope you can grant them recognition for a job well done! I wish I could remember their names . . . I plan to revisit the floor – when I am able to walk again – to say “thank you.” My surgeon, Dr. Nwosa, is iconic! Dr. Su and his trauma team are top notch! And, as I said, even “Lola” – the woman who cleaned my room . . . all of them were wonderful people. Mercy should be proud!! I am sending the whole team a huge “thank you.”
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Hy-Vee, Inc. and Mercy are working together to bring health and wellness services out into local communities through the Hy-Vee Healthy You Mobile.

Together, Hy-Vee and Mercy will use the mobile unit to provide services such as wellness screenings, immunizations and healthy product fairs. Depending on the scheduled event, it will be staffed with Hy-Vee dietitians and pharmacists and may feature Mercy health care providers.

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“ This partnership continues Mercy’s and Hy-Vee’s commitment to improve the health of our community by providing education and prevention services to those we are privileged to serve,” said Mercy President Bob Ritz. “Our joint efforts will improve the overall health and wellness of Iowans through early access to screening and detection in a community setting. Together we can potentially reduce the need and length of inpatient care.”

Three Mercy staff were among the graduates of the IHA Hospital Executive Academy. They are (l-r): Kevin Elsberry, vice president, Human Resources; Chris Christensen, vice president, Professional Services; and Sam Schone, director, Innovation.

The Iowa Hospital Association (IHA) recently graduated its first class from the IHA Hospital Executive Academy. Three Mercy staff members were included in the group of 24 – Kevin Elsberry, vice president, Human Resources; Chris Christensen, vice president, Professional Services; and Sam Schone, director, Innovation. Over the past 12 months, these up-and-coming leaders have been meeting face-to-face and learning from seasoned health care executives as well as discovering and furthering their development through hospital project work. The Executive Academy was designed as a selective program to assist Iowa hospitals in identifying and equipping the next generation of senior leaders.

LOCAL PHYSICIAN RECEIVES EXCELLENCE AWARD

Mercy Clinics is pleased to announce Peter Reiter, M.D., FACP, recently received the Iowa Chapter of American College of Physicians (ACP) 2015 Excellence Award. This prestigious award is given to a Fellow and longstanding member of the Iowa Chapter of the ACP who has made significant contributions to the advancement of the ACP and to the medical profession.

Dr. Reiter is a graduate of the University of Iowa, where he completed his undergraduate studies, medical school and internal medicine residency program. He has been practicing medicine in Ottumwa since 1977 and currently serves as the medical director of the Mercy Ottumwa Medical Clinic. Although he always thinks of himself as a clinician first, Dr. Reiter has dedicated a substantial amount of his time, knowledge and expertise to a variety of medical organizations.

Peter Reiter, M.D.