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McLeod Seacoast Transforms Healthcare Along the Grand Strand





McLeod Health Seacoast celebrated the completion of the new patient bed tower with the community on Wednesday, September 5.

Multiple physicians with McLeod Loris Seacoast attended and participated in the ribbon cutting, with Dr. Al Logan, Chair of the

McLeod Loris Seacoast Community Board, making the official cut.

McLeod Health is pleased to announce the opening of the new McLeod Seacoast Patient Tower on September 10, 2018. After a \$110 million investment and nearly four years, the transformation of McLeod Seacoast nears completion. The 108,000 square-foot expansion gives residents in Horry and Brunswick Counties a new medical home.

The first floor greets visitors with an expanded patient registration area and includes renovated outpatient testing areas and rehabilitation services as well as business offices, a gift shop and a convenient concourse to access the emergency department and cafeteria. The second and third floors offer spacious accommodations with 36 patient rooms on each floor and clinical services strategically located nearby.

"This new tower is so much more than just bricks and mortar," said Monica Vehige, Administrator of McLeod Health Seacoast. "These walls will house a place where lives are touched and healing begins. Our staff make a difference in people's lives every day and this gives us the opportunity to do even more."

In 2014, the McLeod Health Board of Trustees approved expansion plans for McLeod Health Seacoast to grow the 50-bed community hospital into a 105-bed state-of-the-art medical facility to serve the community.

"Our vision has been to grow McLeod Health Seacoast into a place that is better equipped to provide complex, high-quality care for residents along the Grand Strand," said Frank Boulineau, Trustee of the McLeod Health Board. "McLeod Health's commitment to Horry County is one of the largest financial investments this area has seen in a long time."

Additional improvements to surgical services as well as the completion of a new cardiac catheterization lab and electrophysiology lab will be completed by the end of 2018.

"McLeod Health Seacoast is committed to improving and expanding its services and medical treatment available to families and residents who entrust us with their care," added Vehige. "The transformation of McLeod Health Seacoast is our promise fulfilled to offer quality medical care to our community."

McLeod Health Recognizes Junior Volunteers for Their Service

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This summer, 176 teenagers ranging in age from 13 to 17 participated in the McLeod Junior Volunteer Program in McLeod Health hospitals across the region.

These teen volunteers donated more than 10,789 hours serving staff members, patients and visitors at McLeod Health Cheraw, McLeod Health Clarendon, McLeod Dillon, McLeod Loris Seacoast, McLeod Regional Medical Center, McLeod Hospice, the McLeod Child Development Center and the McLeod Activity Center for Kids.

Coordinated by McLeod Volunteer Services, the McLeod Junior Volunteer Program runs from June to August and allows teens to serve in numerous capacities throughout the hospital. The program also provides teenagers the opportunity to determine if healthcare is a career they want to pursue after high school.

If you know of a teen who may be interested in volunteering next summer, click **here** for the Volunteer Services contact information at each McLeod Health hospital.

McLeod Cardiac Nurse Receives August DAISY Nursing Award



August DAISY award winner Jeremy Odom is pictured with his Nursing Director Curt Keefe.

McLeod Registered Nurse Jeremy Odom was named the August DAISY Award Recipient for McLeod Regional Medical Center on August 16, 2018. Odom was nominated by Jessica Harris for the care he provided her grandmother when she was a patient in the McLeod Coronary Care Unit.

To recognize those Nurses at McLeod Regional Medical Center who are true examples of Nursing Excellence,

patients, family members and co-workers may nominate nurses for the DAISY Award for Extraordinary Nurses. The award is part of the DAISY Foundation's program to recognize the super-human efforts nurses perform every day.

"From the moment Jeremy began caring for my Grandmother, he was attentive to her needs and meticulous in keeping her comfortable," said Harris. "Not only did Jeremy provide her with excellent medical attention, he also brought a high level of compassion and care. He was personable, gentle, and spoke to her with kindness and love. Jeremy never failed to take the time to slowly and calmly explain as much as he could to my Grandmother and to the family.

"I will be forever touched by the care and comfort he provided my Grandmother. I truly believe Jeremy should be recognized for his amazing work. There is no doubt in my mind he has touched so many more lives than just our family," added Harris.

Odom began his nursing career with McLeod in 2009 as a Nurse Extern. He received his nursing degree from Florence-Darlington Technical College and his Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) from Capella University.

Nurses may be nominated for their strong clinical skills and the compassionate care they provide. Nomination forms are available on each nursing unit at McLeod Regional Medical Center or can be found at www.McLeodNursing.org.

McLeod Health Cheraw CNO Presents to Community Group



Sabrina Clements RN, MHA, BSN, SCRN, Chief Nursing Officer and Vice President of Patient Care Services for McLeod Health Cheraw, recently provided diabetes education at the Marian Wright Edelman Public Library's Senior Circle Group in Bennettsville. More than 25 women attended the presenation.

McLeod Health Clarendon Awarded Accreditation from COLA



Pictured from left to right: Charles Baker, Michelle Grant, Debra Davis, and Wade McMillan.

McLeod Health Clarendon is pleased to announce the recent completion of its biannual lab certification survey by the Commission on Office Laboratory Accreditation (COLA).

Accreditation by COLA is given to laboratories that utilize proficient testing mechanisms, implement rigid standards for day-to-day operations and pass a rigorous survey performed on-site that establishes the utmost in patient care.

"Receiving accreditation by COLA allows us to improve our clinical laboratory and ensure that our implemented systems and test results remain at the highest standard," said Charles Baker, Director of Laboratory Services at McLeod Health Clarendon. "By voluntarily monitoring and updating how our laboratory is run, we maintain the ability to provide the most accurate and reliable care for our patients."

Founded in 1988, COLA is a physician-directed organization whose purpose is to promote excellence in laboratory medicine and patient care through a program of voluntary education, consultation and accreditation. McLeod Health Clarendon has earned COLA accreditation as a result of a long-term commitment to meet specific criteria and provide quality service to their patients.

"At McLeod Health Clarendon, we strive to provide our patients with the best laboratory testing and results possible," said Rachel Gainey, Administrator of McLeod Health Clarendon. "Patient care is our priority and being accredited by COLA gives our patients confidence that they are receiving the best care."



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Merit Awards

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Sandra Bazen, RN CVICU August 2018



Tracie FosterCommunications &
Public Information
August 2018



Lena JacksonReservations &
Scheduling
August 2018



Jodi Poston Cancer Coordination August 2018

Cheraw



Chris Spivey
Emergency Department
August 2018

McLeod Welcomes New Physicians & Hospitalist



Please click on the image above to learn more about Dr. Garrett Barton and other new physicians and hospitalists at McLeod.

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