



With **Richie Splitt**
President & CEO

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Healer Vaccine Survey

Thank you for participating in last week's Healer Vaccine Survey. Nearly 1,600 healers completed the anonymous survey. The information shared will be used to inform leadership about vaccine confidence, hesitancy and next steps in vaccine distribution for NRHS healers. Our goal is to keep you and our patients as safe as possible in this fight against COVID-19, and your input matters. Thank you for sharing your thoughts and concerns.

Foundation Grant Applications Due Sept. 30

Apply today for a department grant from the Norman Regional Health Foundation. Grant applications are due Thursday, Sept. 30. [Click here to access the grant request form.](#)

Vaccine Information

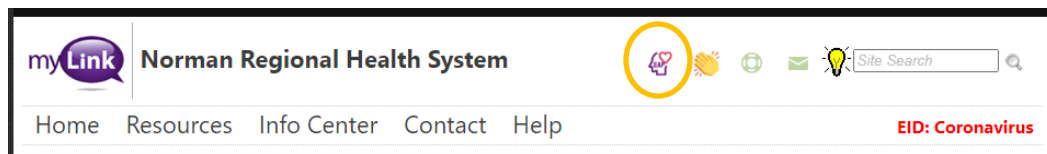
If you are not yet vaccinated against COVID-19, please get the vaccine. If you receive the vaccine from an outside organization such as CVS or the Health Department, please provide a copy of this to

Resources for Healers, EAP, Pastoral Care

Please remember that our NRHS Pastoral Care chaplains are here for YOU also, not just for our patients and families. There is always a chaplain on-call and available 24/7, by pager, through the Switchboard or through SmartWeb. You can request a "staff visit" or "healer visit" with the chaplain, either in person or by phone. The chaplains are here for our healers for extra support, encouragement, and a confidential listening ear when you're feeling overwhelmed or just want to talk.

The Healer Support Team is another great resource for our Healers. Here is a [link to a brochure](#) with more information on how to contact the Healer Support Team. They offer one on one or group support for defusing or debriefing, when you as a Healer or your unit or team are emotionally impacted by traumatic events.

We are all in this together and I want to make sure you know about these available resources. The Employee Assistance Program or EAP includes many resources to help healers stay well during this time, as well as including six free visits with a professional counselor. The EAP has resources for every occasion in life and is available to you free of charge 24/7. Simply visit <https://www.feieap.com/> and use the username NRHS. Thank you to our healers, who worked quickly to move the EAP web link to two prominent locations on MyLink. You can now find in at the bottom in the Quick Links section, which appears on every page of MyLink and at the very top of the homepage as an icon as seen in the photo below.



Welcome Dr. Kayla Barnard

Join me in welcoming Kayla Barnard, MD, a board-certified and fellowship-trained breast surgeon, to the newly created Norman Regional Breast Surgery Clinic, where she will be working alongside John

Employee Health by emailing, faxing or dropping it off at their office. This helps us ensure an accurate number of healers vaccinated.

[This flyer](#) has information on where you can get the vaccine. Norman Regional's Primary Care clinics offer the COVID vaccine to all established patients. If you don't have a healthcare provider, Norman Regional can match you with one in your area. We have clinics in Moore, south Oklahoma City, Norman, Newcastle, Blanchard, Noble and more. Call our referral line at 405-515-5000 to make an appointment today. You don't have to get the vaccine from Norman Regional Health System. There are several ways you can look for vaccination providers near you.

- Visit [Vaccines.gov](https://www.vaccines.gov) to find vaccination providers near you.
- Text your ZIP code to 438829 or call 1-800-232-0233 to find vaccine locations near you in the United States.

Helping Hands

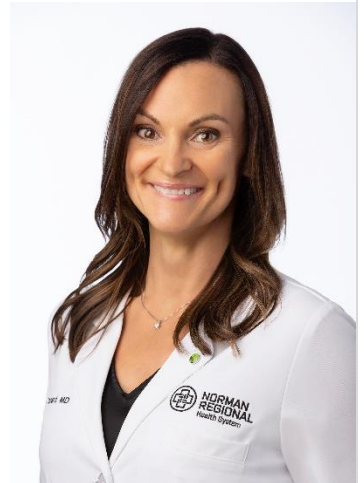
Our acute care areas need your help. The health system is seeing an increase in patients. These patients are not only hospitalized for COVID, but also RSV, stroke, gastrointestinal bleeds, and other chronic health conditions.

Please consider signing up for the re-launched Helping Hands program. Norman Regional is offering all healers the opportunity to work extra shifts as PRN to assist with current needs. Both hourly and exempt employees are eligible to work these extra shifts and will be paid at the same rate of pay as they currently make in their home department.

Chace, MD, who has been performing breast surgeries at Norman Regional for the last 25 years.

Dr. Barnard has more than eight years of experience in healthcare and graduated from the Creighton University School of Medicine.

Dr. Barnard said her patients can expect compassion, clarity and a collaborative partner who will work with the patient to determine the best treatment option for them. Her special interests include breast cancer, benign breast disease, a multidisciplinary approach to breast cancer treatment, breast biopsy, lumpectomy, breast conservation, mastectomy with and without reconstruction, and oncoplastic breast surgery.



Dr. Barnard spends her free time with her family and also enjoys painting, reading and spending time outdoors.

The addition of the new Breast Surgery Clinic to the Breast Care Center is an effort to bolster women's-specific healthcare offerings by increasing patient access and creating more personalized care for women as Norman Regional understands the value of high quality women's healthcare.

"The staff at the Breast Surgery Clinic love developing close relationships with their patients," said Bryce Ell, manager of the Breast Surgery Clinic. "The team here at the Breast Surgery Clinic has served this community for many years and we're excited to build on that service by bringing on Dr. Barnard. She'll be a great addition to our mission."

To schedule an appointment with Dr. Barnard at the new clinic, call (405) 307-2623.

COVID Drive Through Testing Site Open

Norman Regional's Drive Through Testing Site for COVID 19 has reopened in a new location on the Porter Campus. It is now located at the Hospitality House, 516 E. Rich Street. It is currently open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Including the Drive Through, the lab has three total COVID collection sites. They are:

- COVID Collection Site - Respiratory Clinic - Moore
700 S. Telephone Rd., Moore, OK 73160, USA

To sign up please click the link that best applies to you:

CLINICAL:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/clinicalhh>

NON-CLINICAL:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/nonclinicalhh>

Gomer Jones Help Needed

Norman Regional needs to staff 6 cooling zones with at least 2 people for 4-5 home OU games at the Gomer Jones medical clinic. The clinic will be serving fans, providing them shade, water and fans. The dates are September 11, 18 and 25, October 16 and potentially Oct. 30.

Staff must be in good standing with their departments and are required to work the full 8-hour shifts. Staff will be provided a NRHS shirt, lunch and the hours worked are paid as well.

Anybody interested should contact Stephanie Gehrke at sgehrke@nrh-ok.com.

Biggest Winner Registration Open

We invite you to participate in the new NRHS wellness team BIG event, the Biggest Winner Contest! Three NRHS healers who lose the highest percentage of body fat (with a bonus of any skeletal muscle mass gain) WIN! Depending on how many healers register the prize money can get really BIG!

[Click here](#) for the one page information sheet!

[Click here](#) to fill out the registration form. Send all forms to abrowning@nrh-ok.com. Fax to 405.307.3179, or internal mail to Health Promotion, Porter.

- East Norman - COVID Drive Thru on Rich Street
516 E. Rich Street, Norman, OK 73071, USA
- West Norman Lab Service Center
3201 W. Tecumseh Rd., Suite 100, Norman, OK 73072, USA

The NRHS COVID Hotline can direct you or the public to a testing location. Please call 405-515-4328. You can easily see lab locations and make an appointment by clicking here:

<https://www.clockwisemd.com/groups/692>

Or you can scan the QR code below on your smartphone to see available lab locations.

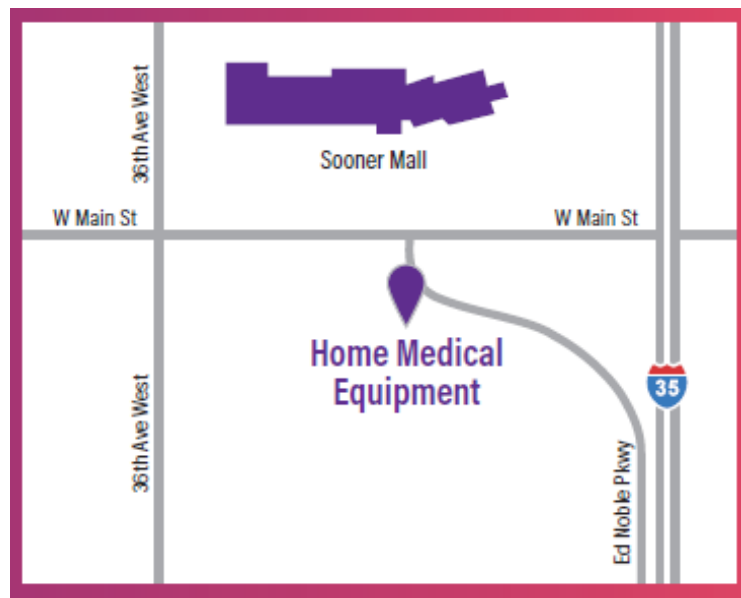


NRHS Home Medical Equipment Has Moved



Norman Regional's Home Medical Equipment (HME) store has moved. They are now in a new location at 200 Norman Center Ct. (which is the building that formerly housed a Pier One). Please help us share this message with providers and patients.

Their phone number remains the same: (405) 307-6620. Also check them out online at NormanRegionalHME.com.



Be Well,

Richie Spitt

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