

NEWS ABOUT COVENANT HEALTHCARE FROM The Office of Physician Relations & Regional Outreach NOVEMBER 22, 2017

## Physician and Office Staff Holiday Reception- Next Week!

Please join us to celebrate the holidays together with your office staff, next week November 30, 5:00-8:00pm at Horizon's Conference Center. For any questions please contact the Office of Physician Relations at 583.4040.

## Annual Active Medical Staff Dinner Meeting- RSVPs Due

The Annual Active Medical Staff dinner meeting will take place at 6:00pm on Tuesday, December 5 at Apple Mountain. Please RSVP by November 24 to 989.583.6595; with your RSVP, include your dinner selection of chicken, beef, or vegetarian.

## Reminder from Respiratory Staff- Code Blue

It has been noted recently that there are inconsistencies between physicians regarding management of cardiopulmonary arrests (Code Blue). Moving forward, so that staff may all understand the expectations, at Covenant, we will continue to follow current AHA Guidelines to include Compression:Ventilation ratio of 30:2 until an advanced airway is in place at which time compressions will become continuous and ventilations will be 10/min. Pulse/rhythm checks will be done every two minutes for a maximum of ten seconds before compressions *will* be restarted. If you find yourself leading a Code please help us reinforce these measures along with clearly defined roles of all participants, good team dynamics and assuring your orders (for medications, defibrillation, etc.) are spoken back to you. This is what AHA calls "closed loop communication". If you have any questions please contact Scott Alleshunas, Respiratory Care Adult Critical Care Team Leader, at 583.4340.

## Covenant VNA Go-Live with EPIC

Covenant Visiting Nurse Association is going live with Epic for Home Health and Hospice on December 1, 2017. This commitment to patient safety, quality and operational excellence will offer many enhancements to your practice as well as the overall patient experience. Orders and other documentation will now be sent via Epic Inbasket for electronic signature saving you and your staff valuable time. Epic for Home Health and Hospice offers a truly integrated medical record throughout the care continuum. It will allow practitioners the ability to view clinical records, medications and appointments anywhere they access Epic thus improving patient safety and quality of care.



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