

Petersburg Medical Center

Activities Department Report April 2024

Workforce Wellness

The activities department is currently staffed as follows:

• Activities Coordinator: Part-time FMLA through May

• Interim Activities Coordinator: Full Time

• Activities Aide: Full Time

The activities department is currently hiring one activities aide (full time).

Community Engagement

Long Term Care activities department continue to work with a variety of organizations and community groups throughout Petersburg to get our residents involved in community happenings. Currently, LTC Activities continues to work with Parks and Recreation to get residents swimming. Parks and Rec has graciously provided a lifeguard while PMC's lifeguard has been on FMLA. Long Term Care Activities has also been working with KFSK to start a resident radio show. KFSK has trained one of the activities aides on how to utilize the equipment and we have worked with the residents to put together a playlist and record some dialogue to be aired. April will be the trial run of the show; however, we are hoping that if the residents enjoy it to make it a monthly occurrence. Kinderskog has been visiting Long Term Care monthly to assist with crafting projects and visit with the residents. As summer approaches, Long Term Care is hoping to assist Petersburg School District with the community garden. We look forward to getting residents out for Mayfest and the Petersburg High School Baseball games.

The community of Petersburg has gone above and beyond for our residents and to say thank you, Long Term Care Activities is hosting a Volunteer Recognition event on Saturday April 27, at 2 pm in the Dorothy Ingle Conference Room.

Patient Centered Care

The activities department continues to provide an outstanding model of patient-centered care. Each of our 12 residents has unique needs and preferences. Overall, the activities calendar planned each month takes into consideration the likes and schedules of each resident. A few milestones of patient-centered care are outlined below:

- Swimming: Activities staff have been able to coordinate a swimming opportunity for a resident in LTC thanks to the help of nursing staff, rehab staff and Petersburg Parks and Recreation.
- Coordinating Appointments: Long Term Care Activities continue to work alongside many organizations within the community to get residents out to appointments. Everything from dental appointments to haircuts, resident preferences are put first when scheduling where and when appointments happen.

Facility

The activities department has not experienced any facility-related issues. Over the past several months, the activities department alongside with maintenance have spruced up the Long Term Care hair salon.

Petersburg High School Shop Class is working on building new planters for the ER Bay. Our current ones are getting old and beginning to deteriorate.

Financial Wellness

The activities department is lucky to have 100% of their staff CNA certified. This has been helpful especially on the weekends when CNA staffing is lighter. Because of this, the activities department does not have to bring along a CNA for resident appointments or outings. The activities staff is also able to assist with feeding during mealtimes and transfers as needed.

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