# March 2020 Hot Topics

## Meet Jennifir Bautista

Where did you grow up? Oceano What is your position at our hospital? Currently Materials Manager for 2 ½ yrs. Since November assisted with also Interim Managing dietary department in addition to Materials Management. Been involved with the hospital since high school. What do you like most about working for our hospital? The small town feel. The overwhelming support from leadership, patient focused decision making and process improvement. The deep caring from employees who treat patients as if they were their own neighbors and family.



What is your favorite thing to watch? History/Reality shows. Anything on A&E, History Channel, Currently fav show The Masked Singer on Fox.

What is your favorite patient story? Too many to mention! The first one that comes to mind was while I was Surgery Coordinator. We found out that one of our patients who would be checking in to Day Stay for Surgery was also caring for her newborn, which would be accompanying her to the hospital. We felt as though we needed to obtain a breast pump for her to help her facilitate extracting milk BEFORE surgery. This way she would have milk to offer the baby which would be free of anesthetic after surgery. We do not have a maternity floor and these types of products are not always readily available. I began to call around to local facilities which have maternity wards to find out what the breast pump process was. These are typically rentals where patient or insurance would be needed or authorization would need to be coordinated. Made calls to local care pharmacies and fees were also associated for this. I was able to locate a disposable style to gift to the patient and also connected her with resources if she chose to utilize them after surgery.

#### **Dignity Health's Five Core Values**

Dignity • Collaboration • Justice • Stewardship • Excellence

Hospital Mission Dignity Health and

Arroyo Grande Community Health and Arroyo Grande Community Hospital are committed to furthering the healing ministry of Jesus. We dedicate our resources to delivering compassionate, high-quality, affordable health services, serving and advocating for our sisters and brothers who are poor and disenfranchised, and partnering with others in the community to improve the quality of life.

Overview

**Beds: 67** (39 General Care, 20 Acute Rehabilitation, 8 Intensive Care)

Employees: 387

inpatient surgeries

outpatient surgeries

2019 #'s

2,672 admissions

**23,573** ER visits

**8,724** CT scans **1,576** MRI scans

602

808

**Medical Services Available:** Acute Rehabilitation; Cancer Care; Emergency Services; Surgery; Imaging; Intensive Care; Laboratory Services; Medical/Surgical Inpatient Care; Neurological Care; Orthopedic Services; Physical, Speech and Respiratory Therapy

**Service Area Cities:** Arroyo Grande, Oceano, Grover Beach, Pismo Beach, Nipomo Population: 79,811 In 2015, the South County service area was declared a

#### Medically Underserved Area/Population

by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. This means that residents in the area have a shortage of health services and the area includes large groups of people who face economic, cultural, or linguistic barriers to health care. This makes AGCH an important resource for our community, and we need to grow to meet the need.

#### Last month we learned:

The \$6.5 million Legacy Campaign goal has been met! Several projects have already been completed, and all others will be complete within two years.



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**AGCH Foundation** 

began operating in 2006 to support the mission of the hospital.

Upcoming Dates Comedy Night: March 14th Next Board Meeting: April 2nd Legacy Campaign Completion Celebration: April 2nd

### Arroyo Grande Community Hospital Foundation

SupportArroyoGrande.org

Arroyo Grande Community Hospital Foundation. A Dignity Health Member

Carrol Pruett Philanthropic Fraternity: April 5th Local Healthcare Update: April 7th

Hoelle Tompkins Sisterhood Society: May 17th

## **Our Current Funding Priorities:**

- Mission Hope Arroyo Grande:
  - Cancer Care Fund
  - Cancer Rehabilitation Program
  - Lung GPS Patient Management Platform
  - Transport to Treatment Program
- Acute Rehabilitation Center:
  - Recreational Therapy Program
  - Recreational Therapy Garden
- Behavioral Health Services
- Parking Solution
- Surgical Services:
  - Mini C-Arm & Positioning Equipment
- Spiritual Care Services

# Fund Spotlight The Cancer Rehabilitation Program

The Cancer Rehabilitation Program will soon begin at Mission Hope Arroyo Grande, and we are currently amid several fundraising efforts to help fund this important program. Comedy Night will benefit the program, and the foundation recently submitted a \$75,000 grant proposal to Livestrong. So far, \$40,175 has been raised for this program, with more expected to come in soon.

Why the Cancer Rehabilitation Program is so important:

- Reduces the chance of cancer recurrence
- Minimizes the side effects of cancer treatments
- Provides regular one-on-one attention for patients in addition to socialization at group exercise
- Helps patients find sustainable ways to continue healthy habits for life
- Reduces depression, increases self-worth and confidence



## **Comedy Night**



## Tickets are still available!

#### Register at

SupportArroyoGrande.org/Comedy-Night-2020