

Barnesville Connection

A community newsletter from WVU Medicine Barnesville Hospital

WINTER 2021 NEWSLETTER



CEO's Letter

"Throughout the battle against Covid-19, we continued as always to see great support from our community."

2020 was definitely a year we will all remember. Our lives changed early on in the year and we continue to adapt as we continue to battle the pandemic. While we faced many challenges, some aspects of our community remained the same. Throughout the battle against Covid-19, we continued as always to see great support from our community. As the employees of the Hospital battled firsthand the virus and its impact, you were always there supporting the Hospital. We received numerous donations throughout the year of food for our staff and donations of PPE in the early days to make sure we had enough. You offered words of encouragement to those on the front line and provided support in many additional ways. Barnesville and the surrounding communities are special places. We cannot thank you enough for supporting us in these unprecedented times. While we have turned the year over to 2021, we are continuing the fight against the Covid-19 virus. I encourage each of you to continue to help and support the healthcare workers in that fight. I ask that you be diligent in your mask wearing, social distance and take care of yourself. I would ask that you consider strongly taking the Covid-19 vaccine when available. By continuing to work together, we can all better serve the community.

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BARNESVILLE HOSPITAL

David Phillips
President and CEO



Barnesville Hospital
Foundation
Quality Caring

Since 1928, Barnesville Hospital has served as the leading health care provider for western Belmont County and surrounding communities. This tradition of providing excellence has earned the institution strong community support. It is because of the generosity of individuals, businesses, civic organizations, and our auxiliary that Barnesville Hospital is a thriving institution that continues to actively meet the health care needs of area residents.

As health care and the needs of area residents have changed, Barnesville Hospital has responded with new services, updated facilities, and state of the art technology. Barnesville Hospital is committed to keeping pace with the ever changing demands of today's health care.

Barnesville Hospital Foundation is a nonprofit foundation that supports Barnesville Hospital through the cultivation of support for patient services, facilities, program and service development, and education. We invite you to join Barnesville Hospital Foundation in our efforts to improve the community's health.

Ways to Give

Memorial Gifts – A caring expression of sympathy...

Upon the loss of a loved one, some families prefer to have gifts directed to charitable organizations in lieu of flowers. Barnesville Hospital gratefully receives such gifts in memory of patients and friends of the hospital.

Honorary Gifts – A reflection of recognition or gratitude...

An Honorary gift is a way to recognize a nurse or physician for their outstanding care or to honor someone special on their birthday, anniversary, or other occasion. When your gift is received, a personal letter will be sent to the family or honoree to inform them of your thoughtful gift. The amount of your gift will not be disclosed.

Bequests (Giving By Will)

Bequests are one of the easiest and most significant ways you can make a gift to Barnesville Hospital. Your gift will assist us to provide quality healthcare to area residents and will leave a lasting legacy by which others may remember you. Bequests can be made by preparing a new will or adding a codicil (addition) to your present will with the advice of your attorney and other advisors.

**Contact Lindsay Dowdle, Marketing Specialist, at 740-425-5789
to learn more about giving to the Barnesville Hospital Foundation.**



MEET THE DOCTOR

Tene Osahar, M.D.

Dr. Osahar is an Emergency Room Physician.

Question: What made you decide to get into medicine?

Answer: As a child, I always thought I would go into law. I was born and raised in Miami, Florida. Some of my earliest memories are going to the University of Miami Law library with my Dad. I loved the secure, timeless feeling being surrounded by towering stacks of books. The thought was that within those millions of pages were peace, the truth. Even to this day, going to church invokes a similar feeling as going to the library. If you had asked me then, I would have said I wanted to be a lawyer without a doubt because I felt law had the ability to teach, solve problems, to protect and to comfort.

As I progressed through school, I found greater enjoyment from my science classes than debating with others. I learned that biology and knowledge of the mechanics of the human body also had the power to teach, solve problems, to protect and offer comfort. It wasn't until late in my freshman year at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, that I firmly decided on a career in medicine. Emergency Medicine has a special appeal beyond those days of the law library. The equal access of patients to services regardless of socioeconomic status was a big draw. Being present for patients on their worst day, offering that protection regardless of situation, helping to solve problems or teaching them how to prevent recurrence also was a factor in my decision to become an Emergency Room Physician.

Question: What do you like to do in your free time?

Answer: A perfect day for me has two versions. I love to be at home watching my 4 children play (and fight) in the backyard on a warm summer day, as I tend to my struggling garden, my silkie chickens roaming freely about and my husband cooking one of his delicious meals on the grill. Alternatively, traveling with my children to show them a new culture, a historical event setting or unique geographical feature is a frequent way I love to spend my free time. Whether it is internationally or locally I receive a large amount of joy from seeing the world with my family.

Question: Do you have any interesting hobbies?

Answer: I am not sure if they are interesting, but hobbies I enjoy are flatwater kayaking, hiking, gardening, and snorkeling. I love a good book and I am a member of 3 book clubs. With book club, I get to revisit my childhood fascination with debate when ranking a book amongst friends. This year I plan to carry on my mother's legacy and continue her work on family genealogy.

COVID-19 Visitor Policy

Rules for all areas:

- All visitors will be screened upon entry to the building and **MUST** be masked at all times.
- Social distancing parameters are to be maintained.
- Clinical staff may request visitor not be present in areas with limited space.
- The only area that will be allowing visitors to enter the clinical area are inpatient (admitted), unless exception guidelines are met.
- Each patient will be allowed only one visitor per day.
- Visitor Hours are from 12:00pm - 7:00pm.
- Visitors are to stay in patient room and **MUST** be masked at all times!
- Visitors are to stay in patient room at all times and may not travel to common areas such as Cafeteria, Gift Shop, etc.
- Visitation is not permitted for the COVID-19(+) and PUI (person under investigation) patients unless specific case exceptions apply.
- No visitors will be permitted in the ER.
- Exceptions will continue to be made on a case-by-case basis.
- Hospital access Monday through Thursday will be restricted to the ER entrance from 3:00PM - 6:00AM.
- Hospital access on the weekends will be restricted to the ER entrance from 3:00PM Friday through 6:00AM Monday morning.
- Local epidemiologic and supply factors can override these changes at any time.

Diagnostic Imaging Services



Diagnostic Imaging 740.425.5114 Central Scheduling 740.425.5123

CT Services

**Monday to Friday
7:30am to 4:00pm**

Digital Mammography Services

**Monday to Friday
8:00 am to 3:00 pm**

MRI Services

**Mondays and Thursdays
7:30am to 4:30pm**

Ultrasound

Echocardiogram

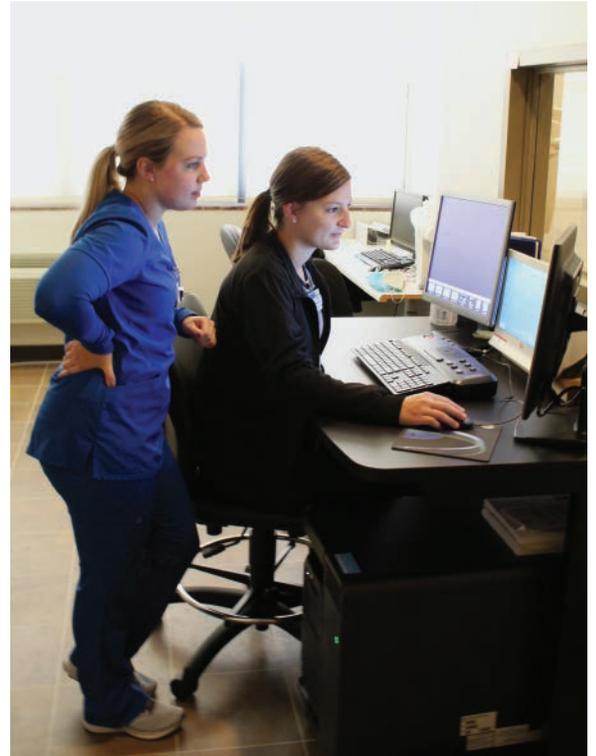
**Mon. - Tues. & Thurs. - Friday
7:30am - 4:00pm**

All other Ultrasounds

**Monday-Friday
7:30am-4:00pm**

Radiology

Call ahead for Hours



**Experienced technologists
committed to patient
comfort!**

**Call Central Scheduling
to schedule
your appointment today!**



The Rehabilitation Therapy Department at Barnesville Hospital offers:

Physical Therapy

Occupational Therapy

Speech Language Pathology

Let our Rehabilitation Team Take Care of You!

Please call the Rehab Department at (740) 425-5110, with any questions.



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