

Letter from the CEO

We are March-ing through this year it seems...and this month we have a lot of great topics to share with you...

During the month of March, we recognize the importance of colonoscopies to identify Colorectal Cancer. Colorectal cancer is the second deadliest cancer in men and women combined and yet one of the most preventable cancers with screenings. The suggested age is 50 and older, but if there is family history or other genetic concerns, make sure to speak with your provider to learn more.

We also want to share our appreciation for our doctors. Tuesday, March 30 is Doctor's Day. We are blessed with a great group of physicians in all areas of our organization.

Which leads me to highlighting several new providers that are joining SRMC's Specialty Clinic. First there is Dr. Pushkar Kanade, Nephrologist followed by Nurse Practitioner Daen Scott, with Endocrinology, specializing in diabetes and metabolism. We have additional providers in the works including Senior Life Solutions, Oncology, Ophthalmology and more in the months to come. Our [website](#) is a great resource to learn more about what our specialty clinic offers...

What else you ask? We are very close to rolling out a new program that provides care and resources for those at end-of-life. There is a survey at the bottom of the newsletter we hope you will take and share your experiences and concerns with the end-of-life care team.

One new feature to this project is the End-of-Life or EoL Doula. Four members of our community recently went through specialized training and received their certificates as an End-of-Life Doula. What is a doula? They are volunteers that help those dying as well as their family/friends to fully understand the process and to better deal with the emotional needs during this transition. More information will follow that explains the importance of having an EoL Doula available during this time. I would like to congratulate Nancy Liess, Jane Reimers, Kathy Scripp and Evie Blackburn for their commitment to developing this much needed resource for our area.

Last on my list to note this month is to the Health Center Foundation's Summer Internship and Scholarship applications. As hospitals and education organizations continue to reopen, these programs are such great opportunities for those interested in furthering their careers in healthcare. To learn more, go to www.SidneyRMC.com/hcf/internships-scholarships

We thank you for your patience during these challenging times.

Sincerely,



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