

# Texas Health Care Newsletter

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Texas Health Care was founded to allow doctors to be doctors.  
Our priority is simple: provide quality care to our patients.



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## Congratulations! The following staff have met their 401k Plan Entry and will be entered into our plan at 4% deferral July 1<sup>st</sup>

You can view online status, make changes to your account and set up your beneficiary information online at your personal portal at the Transamerica website [www.trsuretire.com](http://www.trsuretire.com)



Name	Location Description	Name	Location Description
Alicia Alvarez	Torres/Diaz	Carrie Lindsey	Colleyville
Kristina Brown	Pratt, Christopher	Julia Lipowski	Pennsylvania Ave
Ana Cruz	OB Baylor #320	Ashley Mallen	Bone & Joint
David Cummings	Physical Therapy	Abigail Mier	Southwest Ob
Meranda Fabela	Wroten/Rear/Leisl	Keaghan Moore	OB Baylor #440
Cynthia Foster	Stroman/Broker/Kane	Moustafa Mourad	Pennsylvania Ave
Adriana Garcia	ALI, TAHIR	Brenda Prentiss	CDLBL
Amberlee Green	Har/Var/Mc/Ka	Kelsie Pruett	Wroten/Rear/Leisl
Rachel Griffith	Pennsylvania Ave	Stephen Rieder	Physical Therapy
Madison Hanlan	Wroten/Rear/Leisl	Jeneva Rivera	FW Anesth (R/R)
Souksavanh Harris	NTWHC Keller	Kristi Salinas	N Beach OB/GYN
Bonnie Hart	Anthony/Dean	Melissa Seaver	Wroten/Rear/Leisl
Ashley Kennedy	OB Baylor #430	Jennifer Strange	OB Baylor #320
Dawn Lane	CBO-JPS	Daisy Wyatt	Hammonds

Unless deferral is elected at a different percentage rate or the employee chooses to opt out of the automatic enrollment feature prior to June 30<sup>th</sup> employees identified will be added to the plan for an automatic percentage rate of 4% on the first payroll check in July.



For assistance, contact Transamerica at 800/755-5801 or our Financial Consultant -Dion Nickel at 469/264-1187.

## Collection Program --Winners!

Are you collecting for the month of MAY?

Each month employees are eligible to participate in a collection program that rewards staff collecting for other offices. If you collect for another office, please complete the "Orange Collection form" obtained from your office PTL and submit the "Completed" form to the Central Office for a chance to win a bonus in our monthly drawing.

(If you have any questions, contact your office PTL)

The following employees competed for prizes in the month of April.

Competition!

Office	Collected By:	Office	Collected By:	Office	Collected By:
BEKP	Baird, Leslie	Penn SX	Fayad, Leslie	G/W	Richburg, Theresa
Bernhard	Bernhard, Marla	Ali	Garcia, Adriana	JPS-CBO	Rodriguez, Olivia
Samuelson	Cline, Angela	PT Office	Gilman, Debbie	G/W	Solis, Imelda
P/M	Crawford Phillips, Sunny	B-435	Hernandez, Ana	A/D	Soto, Blanca
Dearden	Cummins, Debbie	Ali	Hicks, Maria	CCE	Wallis, Patti
B-330	Cush, Holly	Mans SX	Moore, Ashley		

April Winners: Imelda Solis, Angela Cline, Blanca Soto and Sunny Crawford

# NEXTGEN [Helpful Hints](#)

(We continue to evaluate and determine what can be done for workflow improvements.)



What is being sent to the insurance company when a claim is denied? Copies of Appeals can now be found in Clinical/History and Notes tab under Documentation Management.

*Many offices have been asking what documentation is being sent to appeal with. This will let you view the appeal within the patient's chart.*

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## What Is Hepatitis?

Hepatitis refers to an inflammation of the liver. There are three common types of **Hepatitis: A, B and C**, each caused by different viruses.

**Hepatitis A** begins as an acute infection but is temporary and many people will improve without treatment. Both **Hepatitis B and C** can begin as an acute infection but may also develop into a long-term chronic condition. There are vaccines to prevent Hepatitis A and B, both given to children at young ages. Visit Texas Health Care's immunization [recommendations](#) for additional details on these and other vital vaccines.

## HEPATITIS C



There is no vaccine to prevent **Hepatitis C**, at least not yet. Hepatitis C is contagious, transmitted primarily through contact with an infected person's blood. One of the most common ways the disease is transmitted is sharing syringes, which is why intravenous drug users are at high risk for the virus. ---

Health care workers are also at greater risk, due to the possibility of an accidental needle stick.

Less commonly, the disease may be contracted through sexual contact and sharing an item such as a razor or toothbrush with an infected person. Although there is no evidence to suggest widespread transmission through tattoo or body art facilities, infection is possible if the tattoo artist has poor sanitation and infection control practices for facilities and equipment.

Regardless of the method of transmission, it is always through contact with blood, not saliva or other bodily fluids. Hepatitis C is also not an airborne disease. It is important to note that the virus can remain alive in dried blood and can survive outside the body for up to three weeks at room temperature. For this reason, it is important that anyone cleaning up blood use bleach and wear protective gloves as a precaution. - See more at: <http://www.txhealthcare.com/health-news/hepatitis-c-awareness/81#sthash.oX9ysEHD.dpuf>



## Facts

Mothers day is Sunday May 14<sup>th</sup>!

- In the 1800s attempts were made to celebrate mothers in various parts of the U.S. but none of them reached beyond their local areas.
- Mother's Day became a recognized holiday in 1914 in the United States.
- The holiday was then adapted into many other countries.
- Approximately 122 million phone calls are made to moms on Mother's Day in the United States.
- In most countries and languages, the word for mother begins with 'm'.
- The most common flower for Mother's Day is the carnation; pink and red for mothers who are alive and white for those who have passed away.