



Pomerene Hospital Provides Medication Lists to Community

Pomerene Hospital and community members are partnering to improve patient safety by providing medication lists to the community.

“Patients enter our hospital and are often unsure about what medications they are currently taking,” says Nicole Gemma, Vice President of Patient Services at Pomerene Hospital. “By providing the community with medication lists that allow them to track and update their medications, we are improving and simplifying the process of obtaining this important medication information.”

Gemma also explains that patients often have more than one physician, and each physician is prescribing different medications to the patient. “The process can be very long and tedious,” explains Gemma. “We need to provide the best care possible for each and every patient that walks through our door. Having incomplete or incorrect information about a patient’s medications makes it harder for us to achieve that. This is also why we are encouraging family involvement with this process as well. Help your parents and grandparents fill out the forms. Be aware of what medications they are on.”

Pomerene is stressing the importance of keeping a complete and updated medication list on hand. By doing so, Pomerene and other healthcare entities will enhance patient safety and meet stricter standards.

In conjunction with Pomerene Hospital, the Holmes County EMS, Mast Pharmacies, Smith Ambulance and the Pomerene Auxiliary are providing two versions of the medication list. When visiting your doctor or hospital, be sure to ask for a medication list to fill out. Full page lists can be hung on your refrigerator at home. Wallet-sized lists will also be provided. You may also visit www.pomerenehospital.org to print out a medication list and a medication FAQ sheet. Pomerene Hospital and other healthcare entities will help remind you to update your list, but individual responsibility is key. By working together, we can make sure that you are properly cared for.