



Providing tools for patient care



As education coordinator at Stillwater Medical Center, Lea Brown, RN, is always looking for opportunities to make the environment better for the staff.

Stillwater Medical Center empowers staff

by James Coburn - staff writer

Students learn many tools needed to launch a successful career when graduating from nursing school. The first year of nursing can be tough. But it can be made easier with helpful training.

So, opportunities abound for them to receive a

hands-on learning experience with patients at Stillwater Medical Center.

We try to give them the support they need and additional education," said Lea

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OCU nursing school summer camp lands \$500,000 grant



Gina Crawford, interim dean of the Kramer School of Nursing.

Oklahoma City University's Kramer School of Nursing is among the grant recipients from a Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Oklahoma (BCBSOK) initiative intended to improve the health and wellness of people in local communities.

The nursing school's Camp Kramer Way, a summer camp for high school students, is one of 14 projects benefitting from BCBSOK's Healthy Kids, Healthy Families initiative. Camp Kramer Way was created to help address the ongoing nursing shortage and recruit high-performing, diverse and academically motivated high school students from across Oklahoma into the Kramer School of Nursing.

"We are incredibly grateful for the grant from Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Oklahoma," said Gina Crawford, interim dean of the Kramer School of Nursing. "This grant will allow us

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Brown, RN, education coordinator at Stillwater Medical Center.

Graduates experience the culture of nursing care benefiting patients' physical and emotional health as well as for each other as coworkers.

Brown's role is to help orient all. She coordinates the learning management system and helps with certifications for required regulatory education and CPR training. Additionally, she helps navigate the vast experiences students encounter.

"It's very important that we communicate at their level. With our culture we want to involve the patient as much as we can," Brown said.

Students learn bedside shift reporting and about what their nursing care experience will be for the day, said Brown, a registered nurse for 24 years.

"What we see is they stay here. They apply for jobs here," she said.

Nurses have opportunities to

learn more about certain areas of health care such as the basics of the heart. Stillwater also has programs to help nurses with their professional development. Certifications focus the nurses' areas of work. The hospital strives to help nurses in their career ladders. Nursing is a diverse field both in and out of hospital environments. At Stillwater Medical Center, they are given opportunities to advance in their careers seamlessly, according to personal interests.

"Most of our career ladders have different tiers, and each has their requirements," Brown said. "One may ask you to get more continuing education and credits. It may mean being involved in a committee. It may mean getting your certification in your specialty. It may mean volunteering in community needs we have," she said.

Higher tiers have more education requirements such as a bachelor's in nursing or a master's in nursing for nurses at bedside. There are several aspects that Stillwater Medical Center offers to

enhance professional development. A critical care conference is offered. Nurses may attend the Stop the Bleed program that teaches how to respond to severe accidents such as car wrecks. They learn how to stop bleeding by using a tourniquet properly or by applying pressure to wounds and cuts.

Stillwater Medical Center also has a self-governance model empowering nurses to have more professional input at the bedside.

"If they're the ones the decision affects the most, they should really be the one making the decision for themselves," Brown continued.

They can be involved in their unit council's decision making.

Brown is interested in solutions to reverse the nursing shortage in the state and nation.

"One of the things that I see as one of the solutions long-term, is creating a pipeline — how you can create an experience for the students that helps them develop and become an employee welcomed here," she explained.

Stillwater Medical Center has established partnerships with

nursing schools. Brown would like the hospital to establish partnerships with more schools to create more job titles. Students could earn credits while earning money with the hope that they like the department well enough to stay and grow in a career.

"I think one of the pieces that keeps me coming back is I try to grow myself, and as I grow myself, I can affect more people and patients by being involved. If you get certified, you bring that knowledge back and make the place you work better. I think if you see yourself on that positive trajectory, it does help — even though things are stressful and difficult right now — if you can seek help, that keeps you going. The person I can affect is me."

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A total of 123 cases of self-harm attempts among adolescent girls ranging from 11 to 19 years old occurred during the month of February, according to the Oklahoma Center for Poison and Drug Information. The Poison Center had previously reported a spike in poisonings among that age group in mid-February, and those cases continued to increase throughout the month.



"Seeing the increase in the number of cases continue throughout February is concerning. It's important to remember that calls to the Poison Center are just one piece of the puzzle; the real number of cases could be much higher. Many poisoning cases are not reported to the Poison Center, as the patient or caregiver may not have our number handy, or the physician might be comfortable treating the patient without our assistance" said Scott Schaeffer, Managing Director of the Oklahoma Center for Poison and Drug Information.

Schaeffer stressed that if you are depressed or in crisis, call the National Suicide Prevention lifeline 24 hours a day at 800-273-8255. Call the Poison Center with any questions or concerns regarding medications, and text "POISON" to 797979 to have the Oklahoma Poison Center number easily saved to your cell phone.

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to host a three-day, two-night summer nursing camp for 20 high school students, in addition to offering one camp participant a college scholarship."

BCBSOK contributed nearly \$500,000 in grant funding this year for various projects throughout the state. Created in 2011, the Healthy Kids, Health Families initiative supports nonprofit organizations that provide various health-related services with proven sustainable and measurable programs. The initiative includes funding for programs that reach children and their families in four key areas: nutrition, physical activity, preventing/managing disease and supporting safe environments.

"For 10 years, the Healthy Kids, Healthy Families initiative has helped improve health in communities through our



partnerships," said Joseph R. Cunningham, M.D., president of BCBSOK. "In total, HKHF has awarded nearly \$10 million to more than 150 organizations across the state to make a positive impact for all Oklahomans. It's imperative we continue to invest in programs to offset health factors that have been exacerbated by the pandemic and present ongoing health challenges for Oklahomans."



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Kong and Henriksen's article, "Retail endgame strategies: Reduce tobacco availability and visibility and promote health equity," discusses solution-oriented policies to limit the quantity, location and type of stores that can sell tobacco,

thereby reducing the visibility of tobacco products and related marketing.

"Across the world, countries are setting tobacco endgame goals to dramatically decrease cigarette smoking and tobacco use prevalence," noted Kong, lead author. "Policies focused on decreasing both the supply and visibility of tobacco products have the potential to help countries not only reach endgame targets, but to do so equitably so that no populations are left behind."

Kong and Henriksen compared the number of pharmacies, alcohol retailers and tobacco retailers per 10,000 past-month consumers of each product in the USA. They found that the retail supply was 10,

and two times greater for tobacco than for prescription drugs and alcohol, respectively, suggesting there are many more tobacco retailers than necessary to meet consumer demand. The authors note that tobacco retailers are also disproportionately concentrated in neighborhoods with greater socioeconomic deprivation and higher proportions of minoritized racial and ethnic groups.

"We challenge policymakers, practitioners and researchers to prioritize equity-oriented goals and work collaboratively to identify, implement and evaluate evidence-based solutions to regulate the tobacco retail environment," Henriksen said.

The article titled Retail endgame

strategies: Reduce tobacco availability and visibility and promote health equity" can be read in its entirety here. Kong is supported by the National Cancer Institute of the National Institutes of Health (P30CA225520) and the Oklahoma Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust (TSET R21-02). Henriksen is supported by the National Cancer Institute of the National Institutes of Health (P01CA225597).

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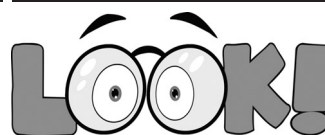
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Presley has served for three years at Golden Oaks Village and been a nurse for seven years. She graduated from nursing school at Meridian Technology Center in Stillwater and did undergraduate studies at Oklahoma State University.

"We learn something new every day," Presley said. "It's not just something where you go to school every day and learn everything. For years there is always something else to know."

Studying for a career in nursing gives you a good base of skills for an active career, she continued. Having performed clinical work in school proved to be a valuable resource to draw from early in a nursing career.

She understands how families feel when depending on competent health care workers to assist ailing loved ones. She was 19 when her father became ill, and her family called for an ambulance.

"I think that's what sparked it. I love taking care of people," she said.

Presley would tell nursing school students to pay close attention to dedicated nurses in the field.



Jenifer Presley, LPN, and the assisted director of nurses at Golden Oaks Village in Stillwater is always open to a new learning opportunity.

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Nurses who love their careers stand above the rest, she said.

"You can always point out who's a hard worker and wants to be there," she explained. "They are who you should follow and look up to. Watch the things that they do and how they deal with their patients."

Residents at Golden Oaks Village are individuals so it's good to take time to listen and learn from them, she continued.

"It makes it easier for them and for you during the process of their care," she said.

Being team oriented in a compassionate setting makes Golden Oaks Village the favorite place that Presley has ever worked, she said. As a charge nurse, Presley is a team leader offering her support to ensure care is being provided that the residents need. She said there is always help when she

needs assistance. She leads the team whenever there is a nearby emergency.

"We have a good group of girls here," Presley said. "And, if I ever need help or must do something in another room, I never have to worry about it. It feels good knowing you have support and knowledgeable people who want to be here to help."

Golden Oaks Village is located on 40 acres in Stillwater in a wooded country setting that is filled with ponds and wildlife. A peaceful view accompanies a paved walking trail. Independent and assisted living facilities serve more than 100 seniors and the elderly every day.

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Graceland University's history of educating nurses dates back more than 50 years. The Division of Nursing became the sixth academic area of Graceland in 1969 when administrators of the diploma nursing program at the Independence Sanitarium and Hospital in Independence, Missouri, collaborated with Graceland to move its educational base into the four-year collegiate setting.

A BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING DEGREE OFFERED IN THE WAY YOU WANT IT.

The School of Nursing offers an **accelerated 18-month face to face BSN-RN program** in a commuter campus setting and for the busy RN, we have online options to pursue your **RN-BSN degree**. You will complete your pre-nursing requirements at a community college, on the Graceland residential campus in Lamoni, IA, or at another accredited university or college of your choice prior to transferring to the School of Nursing in Independence, MO.

The Nursing curriculum is carefully designed to integrate professional education with liberal arts and sciences. The program accommodates students beginning their education in nursing as well as

students eligible for advanced placement. Our asynchronous online RN-BSN degree includes specific areas of study allowing registered nurses to earn a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) in approximately one year with an organized and supportive learning environment. Faculty and student support counselors at Graceland University in Independence, Missouri, are there to help you from application to completion of the online RN to BSN program. The result is a quality nursing degree that will put you in high demand, our students graduate with nearly 100% job placement.

A MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING DEGREE FOR A RAPIDLY CHANGING WORLD.

The world of nursing is constantly changing, and Graceland's programs have evolved to keep up. Based on our decades-long experience in RN-BSN distance learning, our Master of Science in Nursing degree programs combine online directed asynchronous learning with a short on-campus focus session.

All programs are fully accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)

First introduced in 1994, Graceland offers **Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP)** program. The FNP program track prepares the RN to care for individuals and families in a wide variety of health care settings, including clinics, community-based settings, long-term care facilities, and hospitals.

The **Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner (AGACNP)** program was developed to prepare today's RN to assess and manage acutely ill patients within the in-patient or hospital setting working across departments from hospital environments such as ER, ICU, acute care and many other specialties.

As Graceland's newest MSN offering, the **Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP)** program will prepare you to work across the lifespan with pediatric to geriatric patients providing mental health care and substance abuse treatment in all types of healthcare settings in both rural and urban communities in a field that is not only growing, but extremely needed in today's world.

TAKE IT TO THE NEXT LEVEL WITH A DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE DEGREE.

In response to societal needs and a strong commitment to nursing education excellence, Graceland offer the **Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) in Organizational Leadership degree**. This highly sought after online terminal degree will prepare you for a wide range of high-level responsibilities in patient care, health care systems, academics and policy making.



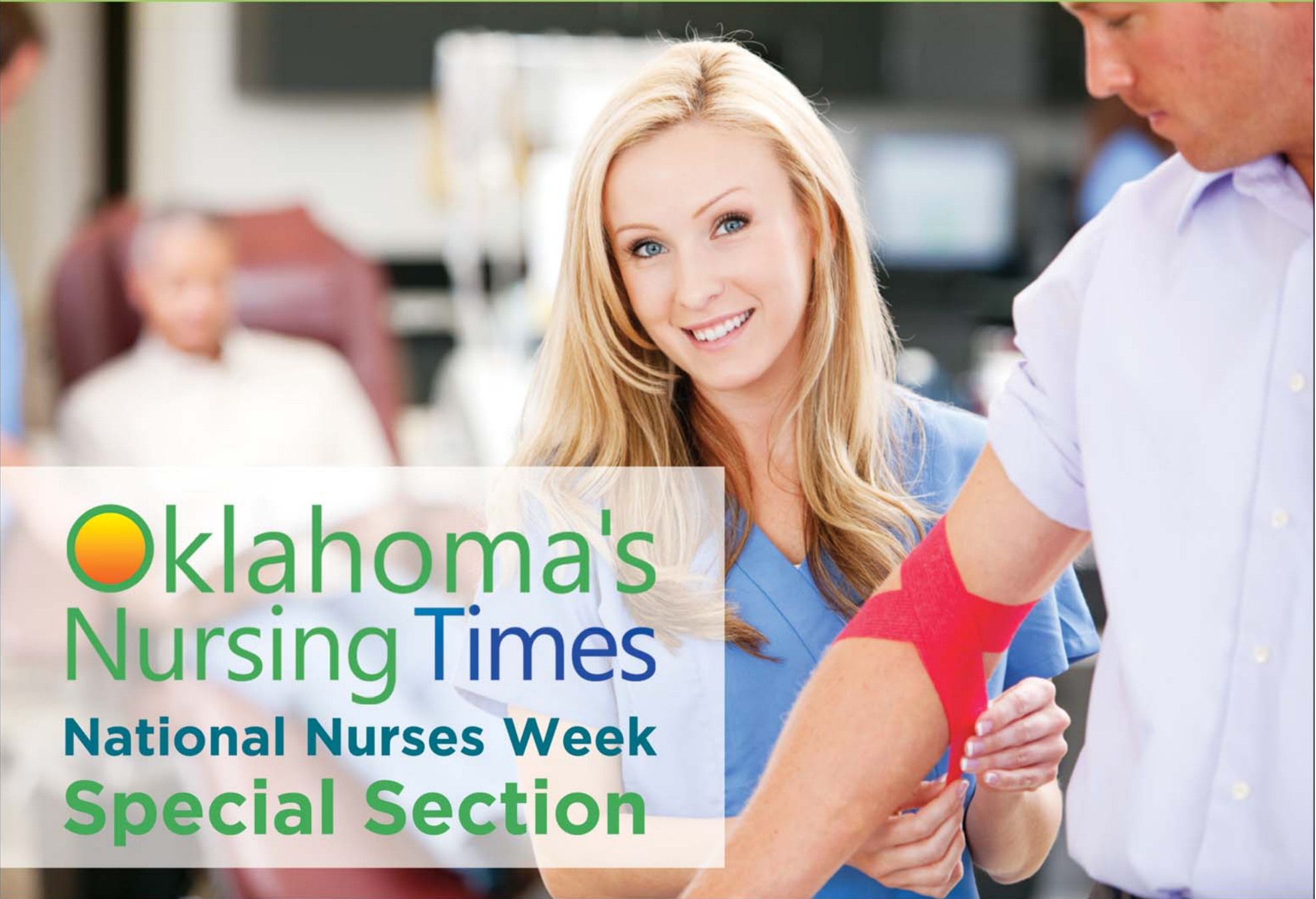
Graceland's commuter campus in Independence, MO

In 2021, the U.S. News & World Report ranked Graceland University's Master's in Nursing online programs #1 in the nation. To learn more about the Graceland School of Nursing, visit our website at www.graceland.edu/nursing.



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Downtown OKC ‘Walk n’ Talk’ Planned for World TB Day March 24



Before COVID-19, tuberculosis (TB) was the world’s predominant infectious disease, claiming the lives of more than 1.5 million people each year. The Oklahoma State Department of Health Tuberculosis Division will host a walking tuberculosis education break around downtown Oklahoma City at 10 a.m. on Thursday, March 24 (World TB Day).

“World TB Day is an opportunity to recognize achievements in TB prevention and control, and renew our commitment to eliminating this devastating disease in Oklahoma,” TB Program Manager Amy Hill said. “Too many Oklahomans still suffer from TB. Efforts to improve awareness, testing, and treatment – particularly among groups at high risk – are critical to eliminating the disease in Oklahoma and the U.S.”

The World TB Day Walk n’ Talk is free and open to the public. The walking route will begin in the lobby of The Commons at Strata Tower (former Sandridge Center), located at 123 Robert S. Kerr Ave., move through downtown to the Myriad Botanical Gardens, and return to Strata Tower (total distance approx. one mile). An information station will be set up in the lobby, with Tuberculosis Division staff available to answer any questions. Participants are encouraged to wear red for TB awareness.

Oklahoma currently ranks #25 in the U.S. for TB disease. There were 69 reported cases of TB in Oklahoma in 2021.

TB is caused by a bacterium called *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*. The bacteria usually attack the lungs, but TB bacteria can attack any part of the body, such as the kidneys, spine and brain. TB spreads from person to person through tiny droplets released into the air via coughs and sneezes. Not everyone infected with TB bacteria becomes sick. If not treated properly, TB disease can be fatal.

Anyone can get TB. People at greater risk are: family members, friends, and coworkers who share the same air space with the person who has TB disease of the lungs. Others at risk include the elderly, homeless, inmates, nursing home residents, alcoholics, injection drug users, people with medical conditions such as diabetes, HIV infection (the virus that causes AIDS), other immunosuppressed conditions which include cancer, and people who are chronically malnourished.

Contact TB Program Manager Amy Hill at (405) 213-8707 or AmyH@health.ok.gov for more information.

The Oklahoma State Department of Health (OSDH) protects and improves public health through its system of local health services and strategies focused on preventing disease. OSDH provides technical support and guidance to 68 county health departments in Oklahoma, as well as guidance and consultation to the two independent city-county health departments in Oklahoma City and Tulsa. Learn more at Oklahoma.gov/health.

Situation Update: COVID-19

New Cases 7 Day Average	95
New Cases Week of 3/6/22 - 3/12/22	665
Active Cases	1,610
Total Cases	1,029,634
CDC/NCHS Provisional Deaths	15,173
Acute Care OSDH Licensed Facilities/Location**	Recent 3 day Ave. Hospitalizations
	Cases (ICU)
Region 1 (NW)	2 (0)
Region 2 (NE)	10 (2)
Region 3 (SW)	23 (6)
Region 4 (EC)	13 (3)
Region 5 (SE)	4 (2)
Region 6 (Central)	17 (2)
Region 7 (Tulsa)	74 (30)
Region 8 (OKC)	109 (16)
Total	252* (61)
Other Types of Facilities	
Focus Facilities	5 (3)
Rehabilitation Facilities	2 (0)
Tribal Facilities	3 (1)
Other Facilities Total	10 (4)

*Includes 36 hospitalizations in pediatric beds.

**Focus, Rehabilitation and Tribal Facilities numbers are not assigned to a specific region as their patient populations reside across the state. Information provided through survey of Oklahoma hospitals as reported to HHS as of the time of this report. Response rate affects data. Facilities may update previously reported information as necessary.

Data Source: Acute Disease Service, Oklahoma State Department of Health. *As of 2022-03-17 at 7:00 a.m.



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