

# NEWSLETTER



Palo Pinto General Hospital



## SUMMER'S HERE! AND SO ARE WE!

We want all our friends and neighbors—and visitors to our incredible waterways and tourist attractions to have a safe summer, but we're here if you get into a scrape. Our new Possum Kingdom Family Health Clinic is just a short distance from the lake and is home for all your family health care needs. We're open Saturdays at 55 South FM 2353, Suite A, in Graford, and we accept walk-ins and same day appointments. See all of our clinics and their hours at <https://ppgh.com/possum-kingdom-family-health/>

## DR. GUSTAVO DEL TORO JOINS PPGH AS A HOSPITALIST

Dr. Gustavo Del Toro has joined Palo Pinto General Hospital as a hospitalist caring for patients during their stays. Dr. Del Toro, who has been in practice for 19 years, started May 31 at PPGH and is the latest addition to Palo Pinto General Hospital's growing county-wide network. Dr. Del Toro moved to PPGH from Eastland Memorial Hospital in Eastland, where he was a hospitalist. Dr. Del Toro earned his Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine in 1999 from Midwestern

University's Chicago College of Medicine at Downer's Grove, IL. He did his residency in family practice at UCSF Fresno in Fresno, CA., and moved to Texas in 2006 after residency to become an urgent care physician at a CareNow clinic in Coppell. He has held several posts as a physician throughout the Dallas-Fort Worth area, including at PPGH between 2008 and 2010. Dr. Del Toro was drawn to medicine through his own personal experience as a child diagnosed with asthma. "I spent a lot of time in doctors' offices," he said. "It inspired me to become a doctor." Read more at <https://ppgh.com/texas-physician-joins-palo-pinto-general-hospital-as-hospitalist/>





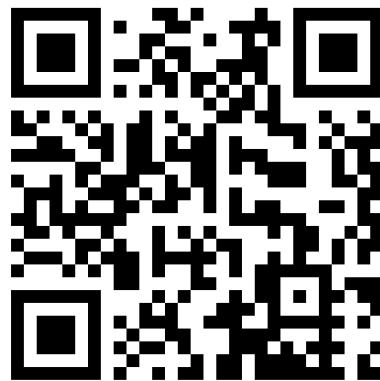
## WE'RE HIRING! PASS IT ON!

Do you know of someone who'd love to work in a growing, caring environment where service to our patients and community is the priority? PPGH is hiring healthcare professionals and other staff members throughout our countywide network. Click here to browse career opportunities and learn more. <https://ppgh.com/job-openings/>

## NOMINATE A NURSE FOR DAISY AWARD

PPGH is participating in the DAISY Awards, which recognize nurses internationally who "provide above-and-beyond compassionate care to patients and families." Have you experienced care from a nurse you'd like to nominate for this award? Please click on this form to nominate.

[www.daisynomination.org/4098](http://www.daisynomination.org/4098) "We hope the DAISY Award will lead to more recognition for our extraordinary nurses and all that they do," Jessica Ramsey, PPGH's director of education and development, said.



## MEET TINA LINTON, PPGH'S NEW CNO

Tina Linton, PPGH's new chief nursing officer, brings more than 27 years of healthcare experience, including executive and senior positions at hospitals in Texas and Louisiana. Tina earned her diploma in Nursing from Baptist Memorial School of Health Sciences in Memphis; Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Mississippi College; and Master of Business Administration from Texas A&M University. "After an extensive national search, we were very pleased to have recruited Tina," said Ross Korkmas, PPGH's chief executive officer. Read more about Tina. <https://ppgh.com/ppgh-names-new-cno-tina-linton-mba-bsn-rn/>



## PPGH'S MOBILE CLINIC, BRIDGE TO HEALTH, IS ON THE ROAD!

PPGH wants to make access to the best healthcare as convenient and easy as possible. Our Bridge to Health mobile clinic is on the road. Here's the current schedule:



8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Mondays and Thursdays, Mineral Wells Junior High School, 1301 SE 14th Ave., Mineral Wells; 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Tuesdays, Mineral Wells High School, 3801 Ram Blvd., Mineral Wells; and 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Graford ISD, 400 W. Division, Graford. Click here for more information about services. <https://ppgh.com/bridge-to-health/>

## PPGH CEO ROSS KORKMAS RECEIVES TEXAS HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION PIONEER AWARD



Our chief executive officer, Ross Korkmas, has been awarded the Texas Hospital Association Pioneer Award for achievements in managing a rural hospital or health care system. The organization presents the award to an administrator of a rural hospital or health care system who "demonstrates creative and innovative management achievements and leadership within the organization and the community." Ross joined PPGH in 2019 and has "proven to be a transformational leader in a short period of time," THA said. Congratulations Ross and everyone at PPGH who made this possible! Read more about the award. <https://ppgh.com/ross-korkmas-receives-pioneer-award-from-texas-hospital-association-lauded-as-transformational-leader/>

## ABOUT PPGH

Palo Pinto General Hospital, operated by the Palo Pinto County Hospital District, is dedicated to providing high-quality convenient health care throughout the region. The county's leading health care provider operates centers in Mineral Wells, Gordon, Santo, and Possum Kingdom Lake, emphasizing prevention and wellness. PPGH's growing network includes an acute care hospital and rehabilitation and skilled nursing unit; urgent and primary care clinics; specialty clinics in women's services, heart, orthopedics and sports medicine, pain management, pediatrics, urology, and pulmonary; and a mobile healthcare unit.