

WHAT'S HAPPENING

A newsletter for the Maine Medical Center family

BBCH, Raising Readers Partner to Bring Story Time to Video



John Bancroft, MD, reads to patients via video.

not able to leave their rooms, thanks to a new program. Patients can watch stories being read aloud on the BBCH closed-circuit TV system (CCTV).

“Reading is such an important part of childhood,” said John Bancroft, MD, medical director of BBCH and the George W. Hallett, MD, Chair of Pediatrics at Maine Medical Center.

“Reading stories here is one way to bring normal life to kids who are on the mend.”

encounter during their hospital stay, including doctors, nurses and child life specialists. They were recorded reading books that were recommended by Raising Readers, a MaineHealth program funded by the Libra Foundation that promotes early childhood literacy and a love of reading by giving books to Maine children at birth and during well-child visits through the age of five.

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Children spending time in The Barbara Bush Children’s Hospital at Maine

Medical Center (BBCH) will be able to participate in story time, even if they’re

The readers are all adults that young patients might

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

45 Years

Brenda Hyson, Coding

40 Years

Lucille Gaudette, Physician
Billing

Elizabeth Hilchey, Health
Information
Management

Janet Parrott, Scarborough
Primary Care

Petronilo Rodriguez, EVS

35 Years

Nancy Beaupre, Patient
Transport

Joanne Biery, Scarborough
Surgery Center

Steven Desjardins, Surgery
Lisa Despres, Coding

Allie Diffin, Food Services
Robert Fusco Jr, Sterile

Processing
Linda Jacobson, Psychiatry
Lori O'Donnell, Emergency

Brenda Pappalardo,
Pulmonary Medicine

Tami Perron,
Poison Control

30 Years

Kimberly Bockus, BBCH

Ann Marie Bolduc,
One Call

Kathleen Cressey, Patient
Access

Mary Ekholm, P4C
Gertrude Kent, Ambulatory

Cardiac Unit

Janice Kroot,
Anesthesiology

Janet Nutter, EVS
Lois Raymond, HR

25 Years

Sameatton Nhonh,
Anesthesiology
Jamie Nowinski, PICU

Jay Westra, Maine
Children’s Cancer
Program

Lauri Wilson, Nursing
Clinical Resources

20 Years

Julie Beecher, Portland
Pediatrics

Patricia Bowden,
Endoscopy

Michael Butt, MMCRI

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<p><i>'CCTV Stories'</i> <i>From Front</i></p> <p>"It's really hard to tell kids who are sick that they can't participate in group activities in our shared spaces," said Liz Shaughnessy, the</p>	<p>John D. Bancroft, MD, Child Life Program Manager. "This allows kids to share in that group reading activity from their room."</p> <p>Raising Readers books are vetted by doctors, librarians,</p>	<p>child development experts and parents to ensure they appeal to kids and continue to be interesting after repeated read-aloud sessions. Cassandra Grantham, director of Raising Readers, said the team was excited to</p>	<p>partner with the BBCH child life program to bring Raising Readers to life in the hospital.</p> <p>BBCH expects to have stories playing on CCTV three times a day by the summer.</p>
<p><i>'Anniversaries'</i> <i>From Front</i></p> <p>Sharon Files, Vocational Services Heidi Fox, ASU Gregory Grassi Jr, Cardiology Scott Labrecque, IS Shelley Riiska, Scarborough Surgery Center Gail Savage, R2 Kathryn Sawyer, MMP Administrative Offices Molly Sneden, Child Psychiatry Humberto Valentin, Clinical Engineering Melissa Vanmeter, P4C Tracey Weatherbie, MMP Administrative Offices</p> <p>15 Years Ashley Connor, Urgent Care Plus Ashley Gilbert, Child Life Program Carrie Gordon, Weight & Wellness Program Stephanie Lampron, Pediatric Specialty Care Sean Mckeown, Security Bessie Ouellette, ASU Matthew Perry, Food Services Sheila Sears, Health Information Management</p>	<p>Heidi Smith, Coding Alem Tedlla, EVS Susan Willey, Pulmonary Medicine</p> <p>10 Years Elena Ackley, Coding Meaghan Anderson, R2 Daniel Andreasen, R4 Debra Barber, Women & Infants Boutique Tammy Batchelder, Safety Office Mikayla Chase, Westbrook Primary Care Donna Corkum, R2 Patrick Giles, OR Lindsey Gower, MMCRI Tami Hadlock, Family Birth Center Daniele Heatley, R6 Erika Menard, Tobacco Treatment Program Amber Moulton, Family Medicine Portland Helen Perkins, EVS Andrea Perrone, BBCH Kevin Pittman, IS Kathleen Richards, PREP Laurie Seavey, Physician Billing Rebecca Slaney, Cardiology Christine Small, Endoscopy Alissa West, R6</p> <p>5 Years Nirvana Basha, R2</p>	<p>Kelsey Beal, Maternal Fetal Medicine Lindsay Bileau, IS Brenda Buck, Surgical Technology School Shannon Cameron, Portland Pediatrics Gina Cantoni, CICU Melissa Clements, Radiology Nursing Gail Cloutier, Surgery Ariel Cote, South Portland Pediatrics Michael Dalzell, EVS Katelyn DeGirolamo, Gibson Pavilion Diane Fossett, Family Medicine Falmouth Susan Gatti, Vocational Services Melissa Hanneman, R4 Kathryn Hoyt, Anesthesiology Laurie Hult, Westbrook Primary Care Mary Ireland, Business Analytics Uma Jandhyala, IS Michelle Jones, Dialysis Nursing Gregory Kellough, Employee Health Deirdre Kilgallen, Outpatient Care Sarah Kuevi Akoe, OR Kalin Lancaster, IS Sue LaPierre, MMCRI</p>	<p>Michael Linehan, Food Services Colin McHugh, Payor Relations Caitlin McKenzie, Geriatrics Cathleen McMahon, Cardiology Tina Merrill, R2 David Micca, Vascular Surgery Victoria Mitchell, P4C Erin Olmstead, BBCH Dana Orkin, BBCH Stephanie Parsons, Urology Amy Pearl, Family Medicine Falmouth Jordan Peck, Center For Performance Improvement Wendy Pelletier, Coding Melissa Perry, Pediatric Clinic Loc Pham, Interpreter Services Danielle Plamondon, NICU Chester Richardson, Poison Control Catherine Scott, Radiology Jeffrey Strano, Ultrasound Teri Trafton, Women & Infants Boutique Leo Waterston, MMCRI Chad Wilkins, General Mechanical Denise Wilson, Cash Management Jill Worsham, HR</p>



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