

Welcome New Premier Surgical Staff!



Dawn Amato
Billing & Revenue
Director



Sairy Martocci-Brown
TN North Manager



Charlie Burris
CBO



Anaya Glover
CBO



Maranda Hacker
Fort Sanders



Amanda Henley
Fort Sanders



Gloria Howe
Pmill Surgery



Martha Howell
Quality



Katie Rader
Pmill Surgery



Melissa Ryan
Vascular Svs Manager



Mandy Thrift
Fort Sanders

Medic Blood Drive

**May 3,
10am – 3pm**
PSA Papermill
parking lot.
*Give blood.
Get cookies and
a T-shirt.*



GET DISCOUNT ZOO TICKETS!

Through December 31, 2019, Premier Surgical staff & physicians receive **\$5 off** regular Zoo Knoxville admission when you purchase Zoo tickets online with the special PSA code. Visit PSATeamNet for the code!

CEO Corner

Things are going well at Premier Surgical and we owe much of that success to each of you. I especially appreciate everyone's attention to pre-auths, encounters and AEV. Our training classes and your efforts are paying dividends in making our billing and collections run more smoothly. Please keep up the good work and anytime you need refresher training, please schedule a time in one of our bi-monthly training classes. Dr. Mitchell is conducting E&M coding school for all the physicians and any of you who are directly involved in office coding are welcome to attend one of his training classes.



A couple of exciting changes are on the horizon. On June 1st, we will welcome our newest physician partners in Cleveland. Currently known as Surgical Associates of Cleveland, Drs. Wenger, Dunn and Worthington will join Premier in June and then Dr. Beierle will be joining them in August when she completes her training here at UT Knoxville.

As many of you have heard, we have filed a CON application for a surgery center that will be located here at Papermill. Our application is complete with the hearing scheduled in June. This conversion will make our surgery center available to most patients in the community and we are excited to increase patient access to high quality surgery in a patient friendly environment.

Enjoy your spring and stay safe as you begin all those outdoor projects that are just waiting for attention.

Kevin

In the News

Kudos to PSA General Surgeon **Dr. Jessica Vinsant** for receiving the 2019 Humanitarian Award from Tennova North Knoxville Medical Center! The honor is given to a physician who improves the lives of those in need through selfless, courageous and compassionate acts. Physician Outreach Director Molly Chaney Gilbertson presented the award.



Tennova North Knoxville CEO Clyde Wood congratulates PSA General Surgeon **Dr. David Harrell** for being named the *2019 Physician of the Year at North Knoxville Medical Center*. Congratulations, Dr. Harrell!

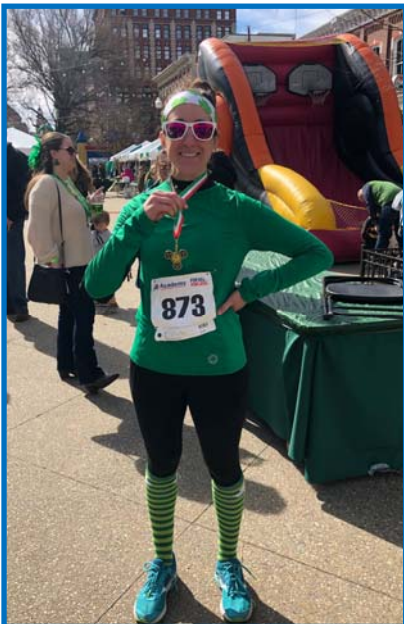


A new life-saving procedure is protecting patients from stroke and heart attack during Carotid Surgery. PSA Vascular Surgeon **Dr. Afshin Andrew Skibba** explains the TCAR process to Kelli Smith on WATE recently.

Premier Surgical Happenings



Premier Surgical was proud to be a sponsor of the 2019 *Lucky Kidney Run* to support the East Tennessee Kidney Foundation!



Kudos to **Ultrasound Tech Grace Durda** (pictured left) and **Kay Panzica of CBO** (right) for placing in the Lucky Kidney Run. Grace finished 1st for her age group and Kay placed 3rd in her age group. Kay also recently completed the Covenant Half Marathon!



PSA Parkwest General Surgeon **Dr. Norma Edwards** (left) and a friend conquered 26 miles of pure perseverance for the Bataan Memorial Death March in New Mexico.

CAPTAIN COMPLIANCE

Employee Responsibilities for Login Monitoring

Captain Compliance says:

- Observe your workstation during the login process, and record any errors, warnings or unusual behavior, if they occur.
- Contact **Charles Thames (IT Manager)** or **Martin McKinney (Security Officer)** before proceeding beyond alerts or unusual messages/behavior. This may help prevent more serious problems from spreading within the network.
- If you feel something is wrong, and malware may be the source, shut down your workstation immediately and disconnect it from the network until you can obtain further instruction from your Office Manager/IT manager/Security Officer.



Congratulations to our Premier Surgical physicians named to Knoxville *Cityview Magazine* 2019 "Top Docs" list: Dr. Willard Campbell, Dr. Scott Callicutt, Dr. Brian Garber, Dr. William Gibson, Dr. David Harrell, Dr. Troy Kimsey, Dr. Michael Kropilak, Dr. Greg Midis, Dr. George Pliagas, & Dr. Chris Pollock.



Premier Vascular Surgeon **Dr. Afshin Andrew Skibba** recently explained the dangers of Peripheral Arterial Disease to a group at the Carter Senior Center.

Share Your Good News!
Please send *Premier Pulse* story ideas or photos to Kimberly in Marketing at **#1018** or **koneal@premiersurgical.com**.



NEW LOCATION!

The Premier Surgical office at Tennova North Medical Center has moved to **7714 Conner Rd., Suite 103, Powell**. The phone number remains **(865) 938-8121**.

Premier Surgical News



Premier Surgical **office managers** strengthened their “super hero” powers of management at the Tennessee Medical Group Management Association Spring Conference in Chattanooga. Pictured from left: Foothills Manager **Wendy Crawford**, COO **Steve “Hulk” Cruze**, Parkwest Manager **Ashley Ellis** and Fort Sanders Manager **Amy Harris**.



Angela Sellers of PSA Fort Sanders is celebrating 20 years of service with Premier Surgical. COO Steve Cruze recently recognized her for this achievement.



COO **Steve Cruze** congratulates Tennova North **Physician Assistant Rachel Enigk** on achieving 5 years of service with Premier Surgical.

PSA Fort Sanders **Surgical Oncologist Dr. Greg Midis** cuddles with a Roo during a visit down under to Australia.



Congratulations to **Ultrasound Tech Ashley Messer** and her husband on the birth of their first child. Mason Levi was born on Valentines Day. He weighed in at 7lbs, 14oz. and was 21 inches long.