



# Physician News Brief

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## Covenant Canine Therapy Program- Beginning in February

Covenant Volunteer Services Department is excited to announce the start of our Canine Therapy Program. Beginning the week of February 5, three certified dog/handler teams will be scheduled weekly to visit patients, staff and visitors.

Pilot units for the program are Cooper 5 East, Harrison 3 South and Harrison 6 Main. Dog/handler teams are scheduled for a two-hour shift weekly and round on patients who have been identified by staff as wanting a visit. In addition to visiting inpatients, teams will round in lobbies and waiting rooms, provide support in grief and traumatic environments, attend staff huddles, meetings, hospital celebrations, etc.

Dogs are NOT allowed to receive treats while on duty. Handlers will carry hand sanitizer with them to remind visitors and patients to sanitize their hands after each visit.

For any questions or to learn more about scheduling Canine Therapy visits, please contact Sarah Knochel, Manager of Volunteer Services at 583.6048 or [sknochel@chs-mi.com](mailto:sknochel@chs-mi.com).

## Region 3 Trauma Symposium- Save the Date: March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Please Save the Date for the Region 3 Trauma Symposium, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at Horizon's Conference Center in Saginaw. For any questions, please contact Wendy Yaworski, Trauma Education and Injury Prevention Specialist, at 583.7451.

## Welcome to Our Staff!

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