



WETZEL COUNTY HOSPITAL

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Picture file attached. Shown (l-r) Rob Rothlisberger, Wetzel County Hospital Pharmacy Director receives his award for Excellence in Practice from George Couch, CEO of Wetzel County Hospital

WETZEL COUNTY HOSPITAL PHARMACY DIRECTOR RECOGNIZED FOR EXCELLENCE IN PRACTICE

New Martinsville, WV – Rob Rothlisberger, Wetzel County Hospital Pharmacy Director, was recently presented the Mylan Pharmaceuticals Excellence in Pharmacy Practice Award by the West Virginia Society of Health Systems Pharmacist.

The award is presented annually to the a practicing pharmacist in an organized health care system who exemplifies high standards of work performance and who demonstrates service to their practice setting through the implementation of programs which have a positive impact on the goals and mission of the institution and department.

Rothlisberger is a graduate of the West Virginia University School of Pharmacy and has worked at Wetzel County Hospital's Pharmacy Director since 1978 and coordinated the move to Wetzel County Hospital's new facility in 1979. He has coordinated a number of initiatives to improve pharmacy services to the hospital and its patients including introduction of the unit dose distribution system, formulary development, IV add program, therapeutic interchange program, employee discount pharmacy program, anesthesia daily narcotic exchange, kinetic dosing, TPN monitoring, after hours pharmacy program and has managed Wetzel County Hospital's migration to three different computer systems in his nearly 30 years of service.

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Rothlisberger is active in the American Society of Health Systems Pharmacists; the West Virginia Society of Health Systems Pharmacist and the Ohio/Marshall Pharmacist Association. He is active in Rotary International served as President of the New Martinsville Rotary, was the first Chairman of the Ohio Valley Chapter of Ducks Unlimited and is a past board member of the American Red Cross. He is also active in many local community organizations and was winner of the Burrows Welcome Nation Education Award.

Rothlisberger is lives in New Martinsville with his wife Jennifer and son Adam. His daughter Allison is a junior at Gannon University.

Wetzel County Hospital is a licensed and accredited, 68-bed facility, offering comprehensive acute care inpatient, outpatient services, emergency department and transitional care unit. The hospital is located 35 miles south of Wheeling and 60 miles north of Parkersburg, West Virginia.

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