

National Patient Safety Week: March 13-19, 2016

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The goal of Patient Safety Awareness Week is to increase awareness about patient safety among health professionals and the public. This can be accomplished in part by celebrating our success stories within our community and in the hospital. Here at Ferry County Public Hospital District, we encourage you to tell your own story! Most everyone in our community has been affected by healthcare in some way or another. As a way of encouraging patients and families to ask questions of their providers to better understand their health conditions and what they need to do to stay healthy – our facility and the National Patient Safety council is promoting “Ask me 3”

- 1.) What is my main problem?
- 2.) What do I need to do?
- 3.) Why is it important for me to do this?

“Ask me 3” is intended to help patients

become more active members of their health care team, and provide a critical platform to improve communications between patients, families, and health care professionals.

Some of the ways in which we strive to keep our patients “Free from harm” include: Support our healthcare workers, create a coordinated oversight with quality measures that promote a culture of patient safety, address safety across the entire care continuum, and partner with our community and with patients and families for the safest care. Patients and families are encouraged to take part and become active members of their health care by participating in healthcare decisions and asking questions. Here at Ferry County Public Hospital District – every day is patient safety day!

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