

## **Parkview Noble Hospital keeps** residents on the MAP

#### Thanks to you, necessary medications are possible.

When Fred Wagner brought his girlfriend, Spring, into the Emergency Room, he was really worried. She had not taken her medication for over a week and was having some serious health issues. Although they both knew she depended on the medications for her wellbeing, they just couldn't afford them financially and she had stopped taking them.

Once the emergency room staff managed to stabilize Spring, they gave her an emergency prescription voucher to cover a few days of her essential medications. This allowed her and Wagner enough time to contact Parkview Noble Hospital's Medication Assistance Program (MAP) and set up a long-term plan.

MAP is a program partially funded through generous donor dollars "It means so much to both of us that to Parkview Noble Foundation and is a free service that helps residents source non-opioid

medications essential to their well-being. The program provides emergency prescription vouchers to patients that can't afford the medications they need to be able to leave the hospital. Once they are feeling better, MAP can assist them with either a long-term or short-term plan that provides them with low-cost or no-cost pharmaceutical options.

"Not only did we get the medications that Spring desperately needed, the MAP program employees treated us with a lot of respect and never made us feel belittled. It means so much to both of us that this program was there," continued Wagner, struggling to

conceal his emotions "Thanks to her, this has turned into a great experience."

In 2017, MAP provided emergency medication vouchers to 63 patients like Spring. MAP ensures that qualifying patients from our hospital go home with the medications

they need.

Several hundred people in Noble County set up long-term plans with MAP last year, saving them and their families almost \$920,000 in prescription medicine costs.

Programs like MAP help neighbors stay healthy and encourage them to take care of themselves in the best way possible.

Thanks to the your generous donations which support the Parkview Noble Foundation, the hospital can offer "above and beyond" assistance like essential prescriptions to patients

supported programs would not be possible if we did not live in such a caring community.

who can't afford them. MAP and other foundation

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# **Keeping Noble County Children Safe**with Donor-Funded Car Safety Programs

### Making a WHALE of a difference.

Five-month-old Xander seemed to be spellbound as his mother, Reshia Payne, inspected his new infant car seat with Michele Harlan. Harlan, Parkview Noble Hospital's Family Birthing Center educational coordinator, has known Payne since the birth of her first child, who is now 5 years old.

"Michele has helped me in a lot of different ways with all three of my children," said Payne. "Knowing that she is going to make sure Xander's car seat is installed correctly today is a relief. I might be able to do it, but I'm glad that she is making sure that all three car seats will fit securely in the back seat. It's important to know that my kids are going to be safe."

Harlan assists families in Noble County to ensure they are using the right type of child safety seat in the vehicle for the age and weight of their child, and inspecting them to make sure they are installed correctly. Harlan can even provide the appropriate child

safety seats to families who are unable to acquire them, thanks to funding from Parkview Noble Foundation donors like you and additional grants. Before completing the installation of Xander's new car seat, Payne filled out a WHALE sticker with her emergency contact information. The small WHALE (We Have A Little Emergency) sticker placed on the side of a car seat lets EMS, police and other first responders know that contact information is on the back of the car seat, in the case of an accident.

"The WHALE program is made possible by Parkview Noble Foundation donors," said Harlan, as she placed Xander's stickers on his car seat. "They allow first responders to quickly contact family members if a child is involved in an accident and the adults in the car can't provide that information because of injuries. Our first responders tell me this happens more often than what we might think. Even when children are not injured, it is important for a loved one to be there as soon as possible to comfort them."

With Xander's new infant seat securely installed in the back seat and the WHALE sticker in clear view, Payne buckles him in and smiles to Harlan as she drives off to pick up her older children from pre-school.

Maternal, child and infant care is one of the top health concerns in Noble County, according to the latest Community Health Needs Assessment, conducted by the Indiana Partnership for Healthy Communities on behalf of Parkview Health. The Family Birthing Center at Parkview Noble Hospital offers multiple resources to new mothers and families to assist and educate them in keeping their children safe.



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