

MEDICAL PHARMACY



Since 1976, Medical Pharmacy has served the Holton and Jackson County area as its locally-owned community pharmacy, offering the special care and service its customers can only get from a member of the community.

That's a statement that owner Joseph Gilliland is proud to make.

"We recognize that everyone has unique health care needs and concerns," Gilliland said. "That's why we take the time to get to know you, not just as a customer but also as

a patient and a person. We feel we are service driven and provide service on a personal level. We are not just selling a product. Because of that, we've been able to thrive and grow, especially in an unstable market."

Medical Pharmacy, which is located next door to Holton Community Hospital at 1100 Columbine Drive, takes "a proactive approach to supporting your health and wellness," Gilliland said.

Furthermore, members of the pharmacy's staff "truly look forward to serving you each and every time you walk through our door. Trust us to answer your questions, counsel you on products and offer you the latest information staying healthy," Gilliland said.

Gilliland is the second generation of his family to own and operate the pharmacy, which was started by his father, Frank Gilliland, 41 years ago in the old HCH building. The pharmacy moved to its new location next door to HCH in 1999, shortly after the hospital relocated to its present position north of Holton.

Joseph purchased the business from his father in 2009.

Beyond filling prescriptions, the nine members of Medical Pharmacy's staff assist patients with durable medical equipment, diabetic testing, ostomy and urological supplies. Members of the staff will take time to give each of the pharmacy's customers the personal attention they deserve.

"We serve you quickly and efficiently, with no long waits to meet with a pharmacist," Gilliland said.

Medical Pharmacy offers custom compounding, as well as consultation for those in assisted living/nursing home care, hospice care, Home Health care and IV infusion, with consultation services provided to several local care facilities. Most prescription plans are accepted at the same co-pay level as national pharmacy chains, and the pharmacy provides free in-town prescription delivery.

All pharmacists at Medical Pharmacy are members of the Kansas Pharmacists Association, and they assist in the training of new pharmacists by serving as a clerkship site for the University of Kansas Pharmacy School. Also, due to its close proximity to HCH, pharmacists serve as consultants, attend various committee and staff meetings and provide the hospital with 24-hour access to pharmacy services for in-patient needs.

"Pharmacists are one of the most accessible health care professionals," Gilliland said. "They are an essential part of the health care team, as they serve as the conduit between patients and doctors."

Additional services offered include text and email alerts when a prescription is ready and a mobile app for easy ordering.

For better compliance, the pharmacy uses medication synchronization, which matches all prescriptions so they refill on the same day and require just one trip to the pharmacy.

"We feel fortunate to not only work in the community we live in but provide a service which benefits the community," Gilliland said.

The pharmacy is open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday. Its local telephone number is 364-2114, and the pharmacy may also be reached by fax at 364-4501.

Medical Pharmacy also has additional locations at:

* Tallgrass Pharmacy in Topeka, purchased by Joe Gilliland, Johnny Schlotter and Lesley Harris in 2011.

* The West Pharm in Westmoreland, purchased by Gilliland and Schlotter in 2016.

* Onaga Pharmacy, purchased by Gilliland and Schlotter in 2017.

Employees of Medical Pharmacy are: Pharmacists: Joseph Gilliland, Frank Gilliland, Lesley Harris, Johnny Schlotter and Jeff Tobae; Pharmacy Techs: Ginger Prine, Jodi Fox, Brooke Doyle, Lori Pritchett, Kristi Colberg and Christa Hill; Pharmacy Student (entering his 2nd year of pharmacy school at University of Kansas) Dalton Colhouer; High School Students - Pharm Tech/Delivery: Emma Gilliland, Blake Harris and Lauryn Moore.

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