

# Memorial

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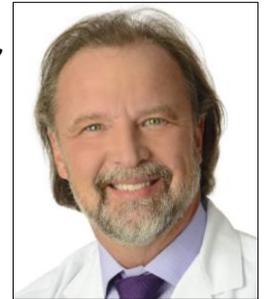
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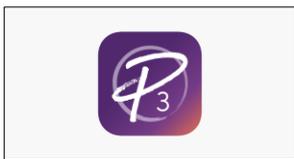
### Opioid Reduction Program Earns National Recognition at Quality Summit



Memorial's chief bariatric surgeon, Dr. Frank Felts, has been nationally recognized for pioneering ERAS (Enhanced Recovery After Surgery) in this region. ERAS includes limited or no use of opioids for pain management. At a recent Quality Leadership Summit in Nashville with 90 LifePoint hospitals, Memorial's ERAS presentation was chosen for the Top award. Dr. Felts is sending all his patients home, post bariatric surgery, 100% opioid free (unless they came in using opioids for chronic pain issues prior to surgery). We are exceptionally proud of this recognition and the work that Dr. Felts is doing at Memorial to help reduce the use of opioids in Southern New Mexico.



### iPad Pro Added as Communication Resource for Hearing Impaired



In caring for our patients, we are periodically asked to provide a service to allow deaf patients the ability to communicate with remote family/friends. We now have a dedicated iPad Pro with services for Hearing Impaired/Deaf Patients. The services available on the iPad include the P3 Video Relay APP that allows deaf/signing individuals to communicate with non-deaf individuals, via a third-party sign language interpreter in English or Spanish. Zoom Video Conferencing is a video conferencing service that allows deaf/signing individuals to communicate with other deaf/signing individuals, via web conferencing software.

### Memorial Auxiliary Donates \$25,000 to Local Charities

Every year the Auxiliary uses money raised by sales in the Memorial Medical Center Gift Shop to fund scholarships for local students in going into health care careers and to support local nonprofit charitable organizations. This month, the Memorial Auxiliary donated \$5,000 each to the following charities: Cowboys for Cancer Research, Jardin de Los Niños, La Casa, Mesilla Valley Hospice, and Amador Health. Our Auxiliary is the largest volunteer Auxiliary in the state of New Mexico and is managed by our exceptional Director, Lynda Taylor. We thank the Auxilians for all that they do – volunteering at the hospital and donating funds to support great causes that make our community healthier!



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