

JULY 2020

# THE PATIENT PRESCRIPTION

Your Health Begins Here

## HopeHealth Updates Mask Policy

**All HopeHealth employees, patients, and visitors must now wear masks**

Due to the continued rise in COVID-19 cases in South Carolina, HopeHealth has made it mandatory for all employees, patients, and visitors to wear masks while within our facilities. Please wear a mask when coming to your appointment.

Patients declining to wear masks may schedule TeleVisits or call for other options.



## Now Available - The HopeHealth Podcast

Check out the new HopeHealth health and wellness podcast series! Listen as our providers discuss important health topics that impact you and your community.

**Available now:** **Dr. Farrah Hughes**, director of Behavioral Health, tackles the all-important issue of mental health in two episodes.

**Coming soon:** **Dr. Heather Leisy**, director of preventive medicine, explains population health

and health disparities.

Listen to the series now at: [hope-health.org/podcast](https://hope-health.org/podcast).

## Expanded Diabetes Services

HopeHealth has expanded diabetes care for patients in Williamsburg County. **Christy Evans, DNP**, now provides diabetes care services at HopeHealth in Kingstree in addition to the Medical Plaza in Florence.

Evans, a Diabetes Champion of the Year award winner, provides diabetes care for patients struggling with A1c (a measurement of glucose in the blood) levels over 9 percent, helps manage the disease, and ensures diabetes care needs are met, such as:

- eye exams
- foot exams
- A1c monitoring

Patients who see Evans for diabetes care will still see their primary care provider for other health care needs.

Also available in Kingstree are nutrition services and diabetes education via in-office telehealth visits.

Learn more about HopeHealth Diabetes & Nutrition Institute services and education programs at [hope-health.org/diabetes](https://hope-health.org/diabetes).



## COVID-2019 Updates

HopeHealth remains open for patient appointments. For updates about HopeHealth's response and current guidelines, visit [hope-health.org/covid-19](https://hope-health.org/covid-19).

For up-to-date information on the coronavirus, visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention at [CDC.gov](https://www.cdc.gov).

## THE PATIENT PORTAL

### Accessing Care From Home

HopeHealth offers a Patient Portal as a secure service for those who wish to participate in telehealth services using their smartphone or computer.

You can access the Patient Portal by computer or using the Healow app on a smart phone. Visit [hope-health.org/televisit](https://hope-health.org/televisit) for more information.

# CANCELED

All HopeHealth community events and classes for July have been canceled.

Visit [hope-health.org/news](https://hope-health.org/news) for updates

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