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NURSE PRACTITIONER BRINGS COMPASSIONATE CARE TO UNION COUNTY

LAKE BUTLER – Sally Keller, A.R.N.P., brings more than just expert health care services to her clients at Union County Health Department. She is also a compassionate listener and generous community supporter with over 30 years of experience serving Union County and public health. Women’s Health Week is the perfect opportunity to recognize Sally for the huge difference she has made in her community.

“Sally is well known throughout Union County because she is always available to help her community—as a health care provider, as an advocate and as an educator,” said Sandy Crawford, RN.

One of Sally’s first experiences at the Union County Health Department was making home visits to new moms. Several years ago, she received additional training to become an A.R.N.P. in the women’s health area. Since then, she has continued to work with women at the Union and Bradford CHDs.

As a health care provider in a rural area, Sally notes that it is often difficult to meet all the client’s needs. She has often said, “It is lonely out here as the only A.R.N.P. at the agency”, but she has not let this challenge deter her willingness to provide the best care possible.

Always the educator, Sally strives to reinforce the importance of prevention and good health choices while being sensitive to the client’s unique circumstances. “Whether she is talking with a rebellious teen or an adult newly diagnosed with diabetes, Sally always puts the needs of the client first,” said Jean Brannen, RN.

As a client advocate, Sally works hard to ensure that people receive the services they need, whether available in Union County or outside the county. She is diligent about follow up with the individuals she sees and never gives up. To Sally, public health is not an 8-5 job because she is always available to answer questions from community members, provide educational presentations or just give advice. Her commitment to Union County is reflected in the way people recognize her and show their appreciation and respect.

“Her passion for public health has always warmed my heart and energized my spirit,” said Winifred Holland, Administrator for the Union County Health Department. “Throughout her career, her commitment to prevention, education and promotion of public health have not diminished. She is an asset to the health and well-being of Union County residents.”

For more information about National Women’s Health Week or National Women’s Check-Up Day, visit the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office on Women’s Health website at www.womenshealth.gov.



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