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**Knox County Health Department Contracts With Scotland County Hospital
To Provide Therapy Services**

Knox County Health Department/Home Health Agency is pleased to offer additional providers to Knox County residents receiving home health. On June 16, 2017, a contract was signed with Scotland County Hospital to provide as needed physical and occupational services to clients of the home based program. Within the agreement, Knox County residents may choose to utilize Physical Therapists, Occupational Therapists and assistants in both fields, currently providing inpatient and outpatient therapy at Scotland County Hospital, while on home health services requiring these therapies.

Physical therapists are evidence-based health care professionals who offer cost-effective treatment that improves mobility and relieves pain, reduces the need for surgery and prescription drugs, and allows patients to participate in a recovery plan designed for their specific needs. Occupational therapy helps people across the lifespan do things they want and need to do through therapeutic use of daily activities (ex. bathing, cooking, dressing). Occupational Therapy Practitioners enable people of all ages to live life to the fullest by helping them promote health and prevent or live life better with injury and illness.

Meagan Weber, PT, DPT, is the Supervisor of the Therapy Services Department at Scotland County Hospital. She earned a Doctorate of Physical Therapy from Rockhurst University and has been employed in the department since 2007. Other full-time therapists are Carrie Hamner, Physical Therapist; Jennifer McMinn, Occupational Therapist and Physical Therapy Assistant; Katie Tuck, Occupational Therapist; Kerri Shirkey, Physical Therapy Assistant & Kendra Schlatter, Physical Therapy Assistant.

For more information about how you can obtain home health services through Knox County Health Department, contact Lori Moots-Clair at 660.397.3396

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