## **Medical Records News**

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For the last two months we have been busy with people coming in for clinic. For the month of March we had 93 admissions to the hospital and for the month of April we had 75 admissions.

Outpatient clinics are always busy with a total of 1,175 for the month of March and 1,116 for the month of April. We also see patients that are scheduled for Specialty Clinics, we saw 26 kids for Pediatric Clinic and 25 patients for Internal Medicine Clinic.

Specialty Clinics are referred by our Barrow Physicians. Only people that are referred are seen by our Specialty Clinics.

We have been holding Internal Medicine Clinic from April 30 to May 1st, and Orthopedic Clinic

May 13-15.

We also see a lot of people after hours which are mostly emergenices, and we saw a total of 233 patients after hours. After hours mean patients that are seen after 5:00 p.m. We usually try to get the patients to come in at our normal hours 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

We have an appointment clerk that will take appointments for clinic during the day and we advise people to try to use this appointment system as much as possible. This was started to help people be seen as soon as possible and not have to wait for many hours to be seen. We also have system which we a walk-in discourage people to use. A walkin clinic is for people that really need to come in and they can't make appointments that day. A patient with an appointment has preference to walk-in patients, for instance if you have an appointment you get to be seen before a patient that has walked in. So please, use our appointment system as much as possible.

appointment phone Our is 852-4567. This number number is used only for appointments. If you need to talk to a nurse or a doctor you will have to call a different number. The number to use is the hospital number 852-4611 and ask for clinic. Again we urge all patients to use our appointment system. It will save you time and remember to make an appointment. If you have any questions about appointments please call 852-4567, or if you cannot keep your appointments make sure you call and cancel your appointments. Thank you and remember KEEP WELL! IF YOU GET MAKE AN SICK APPOINTMENT!