



Pasco Alliance of Community Associations

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2 new hospitals to discuss plans with Pasco residents

The chief executive officers of hospitals under construction in Wesley Chapel and Trinity will discuss their timetables and operational plans at the Aug. 11 meeting of the Pasco Alliance of Community Associations.

The public is invited to attend the PACA meeting. It begins on Thursday at 7 p.m. at the Land O' Lakes Community Center, located at 5401 Land O' Lakes Blvd. (US 41), three miles north of SR 54.

Offering their updates and answering questions about their hospital planning will be Brian Adams of the 80-bed Wesley Chapel Medical Center scheduled to open in 2012, and Leigh Massengill of Medical Center of Trinity, expected to open this year with 236 beds.

PACA president Jim Flateau said, "Pasco's growth documents the need for these hospitals. US Census Bureau figures show Pasco County grew by 119,926 residents between 2000-10, with most of that growth occurring between Trinity and Wesley Chapel along the County Roads 54 and 56 corridor. These facilities will be of enormous benefit to Pasco's more than 464,697 residents. We welcome the opportunity to hear about these keys additions to medical care for the growing Pasco community."

Mr. Adams was named president and CEO of Wesley Chapel Medical Center in January. He previously served as assistant vice president for Florida Hospital Altamonte, a 341-bed Adventist Health System hospital in Altamonte Springs. He is overseeing construction of the New Wesley Chapel Medical Center, building community relationships and establishing a medical staff for the new hospital. Once built, he will provide executive leadership to the day-to-day operations of the hospital.

Ms. Massengill was named CEO of Community Hospital in New Port Richey, the future Medical Center of Trinity, in November 2010. She has 30 years experience in hospital administration. She most recently served as chief operating officer at Regional Medical Center in Bayonet Point. Beginning her career as a registered nurse, Ms. Massengill obtained a masters degree in business administration at the University of Miami. She has served in such leadership capacities as operating room director, director of nursing and chief operating officer.

PACA is a not-for-profit organization whose members include 71 of Pasco County's homeowner associations, community development districts and condominium associations. PACA assists members by educating them on common issues and finding solutions to shared problems. It also represents the interests of members before all levels of government.

For more information on PACA, contact Vice President/Membership Director David Quinones at (813) 991-1505 or visit the PACA website at www.MyPACA.org. To suggest topics or speakers for PACA meetings, share your ideas with Program Director Wayne Mooney at (352) 467-9808.

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Media publicity for, and coverage of, this event is welcomed.

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