

Primary Care Clinic Project Update



Demand for primary care continues to be high here in Southern Vermont, and Grace Cottage is doing our best to meet the need. But while charming, the two 1840-era houses that currently make up our primary care clinic are not up to the task of hosting 30,000 patient visits each year (a steep increase from just a few years ago). We have renovated and shifted around, made closets and porches into office space, but “making do” does not allow us to operate at our full capacity, and will not allow our staff to be as efficient as they might be. The space is not as comfortable as it could be for patients or providers.

We are planning a 23,000-square-foot building set back on the hill on our campus that will connect to the hospital, allowing primary care patients easy access to our lab and diagnostic imaging services, expanding parking, and adding enough exam rooms to see patients in a timely and efficient manner, helping lower overall healthcare costs.

The original hospital building, one of the two 1840s homes that house our primary care, will be repurposed into much-needed office

space. This will help preserve this lovely old structure by limiting the daily wear and tear. The North Clinic (formerly the Stratton House nursing home) is, unfortunately, in rough shape and will have to be removed. This will allow us to add parking, which is sorely needed.

This project started in 2021 with a generous pledge from community members Joe & Terry Pollio. It took years to complete the permitting process, and it will probably not surprise anyone to learn that the project’s cost has risen in the meantime. We’ve raised \$17 million to date (almost 70%!) and are confident that you, our community, will help us reach our new goal of \$24 million. You can stay up to date on the project and learn how to participate by visiting gracecottage.org/future or calling the Grace Cottage Foundation at 802-365-9109.



The original hospital building will remain and be repurposed.

We’re proud to share that the Brattleboro Development Credit Corp (BDCC) has again named this project as a top priority for our region.

Many thanks to those who have already committed support for this project, which is crucial for Grace Cottage’s future!

Grace Cottage Earns Another 4-star Rating!



Grace Cottage Family Health & Hospital has again earned an overall 4-star rating by the National Rural Rating System (NRRS), a program through the National Rural Health Association (NRHA) that recognizes excellence in rural healthcare. Grace Cottage earned 4 stars in each of the first 3 quarters of

2025, and 5 stars in the 4th quarter.

This high honor is a testament to our dedicated staff’s efforts to improve our patients’ experience. We are the only hospital in New England to receive this distinction!

The National Rural Honor Roll was created to honor rural hospitals and clinics that consistently deliver exceptional patient-centered care. Rural hospitals on the National Rural Honor Roll have met the highest standards for patient experience, as measured by cumulative ratings from patient surveys.

This recognition highlights Grace Cottage’s continued commitment to providing outstanding medical service.

Welcome Paul Stanchfield!

We are delighted to welcome Paul Stanchfield, PA-C, to Grace Cottage Family Health! Paul is seeing patients in our Same-Day Clinic, providing care for illnesses and issues that cannot wait for a wellness visit, but are not appropriate for the emergency room.



Paul comes to us from Brattleboro Internal Medicine, where he provided care since 2014. His prior experience includes patient care at The Brattleboro Retreat, Brattleboro Primary Care, and Mount Anthony Primary Care.

Same-Day appointments are available for current Grace Cottage patients (seen within the last two years).

Patient visits are streamlined because the patient’s medical history, conditions, medications, etc. are already on record and can be taken into account when prescribing treatment. To schedule a Same-Day visit, call 802-365-4331.

A Word From the CEO



Grace Cottage continues to excel in delivering excellent, personalized patient care while meeting the challenge of healthcare affordability in Vermont. Like you, we have been shocked at how much the cost of insurance has skyrocketed. While Grace Cottage represents less than 1% of total healthcare costs in the state, we continue to look for ways to help reduce costs.

We are proud of the work we are doing to improve our efficiency and keep costs low.

New workflows in our Family Health primary care clinic, along with the use of HIPAA-compliant AI for transcription, have improved patient access, and the new clinic will give us the space we need to deliver excellent care while saving time and enhancing patient comfort.

We've expanded the hours of our Same-Day Clinic so that Grace Cottage's primary care patients can be seen quickly for sudden illnesses.

Our association with the New England Collaborative has helped lower our costs for supplies and equipment, and a new software system at Messenger Valley Pharmacy has streamlined prescription services.

We are honored to have earned another 4-Star Rating from the National Rural Rating System (still the only hospital in New England to receive this honor!), and *Vermont Biz Magazine* has named Grace Cottage one of the Best Places to Work in the state for the 4th year in a row (still the only hospital/health system on the list).

I am proud of our employees and grateful to our community for keeping us vibrant! Thank you all!

— *Olivia Sweetnam, CEO*

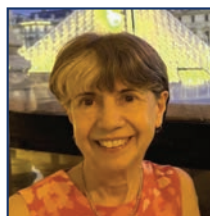
Grace Cottage CEO Olivia Sweetnam e-mails an informative *Message to the Community*. To receive this communication, send an e-mail to info@gracecottage.org with the subject line "Add me to your Message to the Community."

Two New Members of the Hospital Board

We are proud to welcome Donna Alexander of Grafton and Rob Kirkpatrick of West Townshend to the Grace Cottage Family Health & Hospital Board of Trustees.

Donna Alexander is a recently retired healthcare executive experienced in leading organizations to achieve market, mission, and margin goals. Her background is working with healthcare providers and payers to successfully meet the challenges of a rapidly changing marketplace. Donna is a member of the International Women's Forum, an invitation-only global organization that unites communities to advance women's leadership. Additionally, she has served on the boards of five non-profit healthcare organizations. She received her AB from Brown University, Providence, RI, and her MBA from the University of Houston, Houston, Texas.

She, her husband George, and their very small dog Will purchased a home in Grafton, Vermont in January 2022. While they fell in love with the house, they cannot believe how lucky they are to be part of the community. Both she and George are supporters and patients of Grace Cottage Family Health & Hospital.



Rob Kirkpatrick recently retired from a 40-year career in the investment management business. He served in analytical, portfolio management and executive management positions in the publicly traded equity space, both domestically and internationally. He spent the final 25 years of his career as a senior partner at Cardinal Capital Management, a privately-owned investment management business with long-term institutional clients such as GE, Northern Trust, Frank Russell, SEI, and Vanguard.



Rob currently serves on the boards of several not-for-profit organizations, including the Boys & Girls Club of Greenwich, CT, where he has spent the past 15 years as Chair of the Endowment Committee. He joined the Hospital Board to serve the community, honor Grace Cottage's exceptional employees who cared for his grandfather, Joel Johnson, and acknowledge those who encouraged him to apply his professional skills for the greater good.

He has a BA from Williams College and has held the Chartered Financial Analyst designation since 1988. Rob resides in West Townshend, Vermont, with his wife, Liz, and their dog, Brodie.

A Fond Farewell to Denise Choleva



Grace Cottage Family Health & Hospital bids a fond farewell to Denise Choleva, who has retired after an incredible 27 ½ years of preparing what is probably the best hospital food on the planet! Inpatients often remark on how delicious the food is at Grace Cottage. We believe that good, nutritious food helps patients get better faster. We wish Denise a very happy retirement and offer a warm welcome to Dawn Hastings, who took the reins in February and is off to a fantastic start!

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Call Charma Bonanno at (802) 365-9109.

Employee Milestones

30 YEARS

Heather Boucher, *Quality*
Roxane Carlson, *Business Office*

25 YEARS

Greg Dean, *Pharmacy*
Suzanne Petronic, *Finance*

20 YEARS

Teresa Bernard, *Information Services*
Crystal Durocher, *Nursing*
Crystal Mansfield, *Rehabilitation*
Jennifer Studin, *Rehabilitation*

15 YEARS

Carryn Francis, *Family Health*
Chantae Samuels, *Dietary*
Andrew Semegram, *ER*

10 YEARS

Kristina Barker, *Family Health*
Abigail Bell, *Quality*
Claire Bemis, *Community Health*
Christopher Boucher, *Administration*
Christine DeVault, *Nursing*
Nida Donovan, *Dietary*
Jennifer Matheson, *Business Office*
Lisa May, *Nursing*
Kathleen Mills, *Nursing*
Melinda Roy, *Rehabilitation*
Michele Sanderson, *Pharmacy*
Benjamin Wright, *Family Health*

5 YEARS

Chanelle Brodeur, *Family Health*
Alison Brown, *Nursing*
Melissa Buffum, *Family Health*
Juliette Carr, *Family Health*
Rashema Collins, *Environmental Services*
Stephanie Fornia, *Diagnostic Imaging*
Chris Glebus, *Maintenance*
Dr. Craig Goldberg, *ER*
Alejandra Guizar, *Nursing*
Camilla Hoffsommer, *Business Office*
Sarah Howard, *Nursing*
Kasey Jardine, *Rehabilitation*
Michelle Kopka, *Nursing*
Karen LaDeau, *Family Health*
Molly Dean Laitinen, *Business Office*
April Lyman, *Family Health*
Serena MacLean, *Nursing*
Lee Morrissette, *ER*
Ryan Murphy, *Nursing*
Ilana Newton, *Nursing*
Elizabeth Oakes, *Nursing*
Nicholas Primeau, *Nursing*
Jennifer Quilty, *Family Health*
Margie-Sue Rounds, *Nursing*
Jessica Roy, *Nursing*
Phil Schafer, *ER*
Wendy Sheridan, *Nursing*
Deborah Sprague, *Environmental Services*
Jessica Taylor, *Laboratory*
Melinda Unwin, *Nursing*
Tim Wood, *Nursing*
Dr. Jennifer Zweig, *Administration*

Best Places to Work in Vermont



For the FOURTH year in a row, Grace Cottage Family Health & Hospital has once again been named by *Vermont Biz* as one of the Best Places to Work in Vermont! “This prestigious award would not have been possible without our incredible group of loyal, dedicated, compassionate, and hard-working employees across every department, and I greatly appreciate all they do for our patients and our community,” said CEO Olivia Sweetnam.

The statewide survey and awards program, designed by *Vermont Business Magazine*, was created to identify, recognize, and honor the best places of employment in Vermont. The first part of the award qualification process consisted of evaluating each nominated company’s workplace policies, practices, and demographics. This part of the process was worth approximately 20% of the total evaluation. The second part consisted of an employee survey to measure the employee experience, which accounted for approximately 80% of the total evaluation. The combined scores determined the top companies and the final ranking. For the fourth year in a row, we are the only hospital in Vermont to receive this award.

No matter how large or small, thank you for the role that you play in Grace Cottage’s success, whether you are an employee, a patient, a volunteer, and/or a donor. Each and every one of you helps keep Grace Cottage not just surviving, but thriving.



Wishes Granted...

- Lynne Carey & Michael Gardner made a donation for the purchase of overbed tables for the emergency department and various other items for hospital patients and the housekeeping department.
- Stephen & Florence Mastellone gave funds to the inpatient rehab department for a portable wheelchair ramp and other supplies.
- Loren & Betsy Cox donated funds for a manual food slicer and a set of pans for the dietary department.
- Dick and Peg Bilda provided funds for a recliner for hospital patients and for portable suction equipment for the emergency department.
- Nora Wilson made a donation for the purchase of wooden pegboards for outpatient rehab.
- Elliott and Pam Greenblott gave funds to purchase a variety of outpatient and inpatient rehabilitation items.
- The Brattleboro Women’s Golf Association donated funds to purchase an executive function inventory test kit for the inpatient rehabilitation department, and a bloodbank heatblock and a microbiology incubator for the hospital lab.
- Claire Bemis donated her award (see page 6) for the purchase of blood pressure cuffs for the Community Health Team.
- Ellen Archambault gave funds for the purchase of a set of weights and rolling computer tables for outpatient rehabilitation.



Wishes Made...

- The hospital seeks to replace three more recliners for the comfort of hospice and rehab patients. \$3,360 each.
- The emergency department needs a portable ultrasound unit. \$4,320.
- Housekeeping needs two Numatic vacuums. \$500 each.
- The lab needs a fresh-frozen plasma thawer system. \$4,000.
- The rehabilitation department needs a visual motor integration test and a motor proficiency test. \$220 each.

Grace Cottage’s Wish List is updated monthly on our website, at gracecottage.org, or call (802) 365-9109 for more information.

A grateful patient writes:

“Brittney Book was amazing. Probably the best ER experience I have ever had. She showed genuine care and concern and took as much time as needed to make sure I understood my injury and the healing process and that I understood the instructions for self care after leaving the ER. Overall an excellent example of how ER treatment should be done. Thank you!”

– *Linda Stops*, Townshend, VT



17th Annual Spring into Health 5k – May 9, 2026

Springtime is here, which means that our 17th Annual *Spring into Health* 5K is coming up! Please join us on Saturday, May 9th on the Townshend Common. Many Grace Cottage employees, including the event founder, Dr. Moss Linder, will be there to greet you and ensure a fun event.

Pre-registration is \$20 per participant (children under the age of 18 are free with signed parent/guardian permission), and registration is open now, at gracecottage.org/events.

You are welcome to run, walk, roll, or stroll your 5K with us at 8:30 am on the Townshend Common or, if you prefer, virtually at a time and place of your own choosing. The idea is to take charge of your own health and to get moving!

The *Spring Into Health* 5K is sponsored by M&T Bank, Linda Bastian, Big Picture Farm, Burrows Sports, Cota & Cota, River Bend Farm Market, Smith Family Maple Syrup, and WEEI 93.5 FM Sports Radio. Special thanks to Rescue Inc., who will be on hand to ensure everyone's safety.



Tee It Up For Health Golf Tournament Saturday, June 13, 2026 - Haystack Golf Club in Wilmington

Many of our golfers return to this fun event year after year, and new golfers are always eagerly welcome! Funds raised at the 17th Annual *Tee It Up For Health* Golf Tournament will go toward Grace Cottage's Patient Care Fund, helping us care for our community.

DATE: Saturday, June 13, 2026; Noon Shotgun Start

LOCATION: Haystack Golf Club
70 Spyglass Lane, Wilmington, VT 05363

REGISTRATION: \$175 per golfer / \$700 per team includes greens fees, several contests, cart, golf balls, box lunch, snacks, logo gift, and awards dinner.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

- Platinum Sponsor (\$3,500, includes flag, hole sign, four free golfers, lunch & dinner, logo wear, publicity)
- Gold Sponsor (\$2,500, includes flag, hole sign, two free golfers, lunch & dinner, logo wear, publicity)
- Silver Sponsor (\$1,000, includes flag, hole sign, one free golfer, lunch & dinner, logo wear, publicity)
- Hole Sponsor (\$500, includes flag, hole sign, and publicity)

- Bronze Sponsor (\$300, includes flag and publicity)
- Flag Sponsor (\$150, includes embroidered flag with your name or business name, displayed at the event)

We're grateful to all of our 2025 sponsors, including the Event Sponsor, The Richards Group. Sponsorship publicity includes a press release in the *Brattleboro Reformer*, *The Commons*, and *The Deerfield Valley News*, and on the event page on our website throughout the year. All sponsors are mentioned in our hospital newsletter, *Cottage Door*, which is mailed to more than 7,000 households.



For more information, visit our website at gracecottage.org; call 802-365-9109; or e-mail info@gracecottage.org. Golfer registration is open now online at gracecottage.org/events.

Grateful patients write:

"Everything and everyone was great in the ER. I couldn't have asked for better care than I received."

– John "Zippo" Frechette, Newfane, VT

"All of Grace Cottage – the Hospital, Outpatient Physical Therapy, Family Health Clinic, and the ER - are friendly, professional, and reliable."

– Nora Wilson, Marlboro, VT

76TH ANNUAL FAIR DAY

Saturday, August 1, 2026

Townshend Common, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Free Admission | Free Parking | Free Entertainment


Hospital Fair Day is a highlight of the year for many area families and visitors, including ours. For decades, the Holts have traveled from far and wide to gather at our farmhouse on East Hill in Townshend to help out on and before Fair Day, always held on the first Saturday in August. Along with many other volunteers (many of them Grace Cottage employees), our cousins, kids, nieces, and nephews help with set up on the Townshend Common the week before the Fair, and pitch in, mostly at the White Elephant Booth, to help sell and, when the Fair ends, to clean up. Many residents and second homeowners hold their annual family reunions, as we do, on Fair Day weekend because it's such a fun event for all ages. And it supports a great cause – our local, independent, non-profit community hospital. What could be better?! The net proceeds of this year's Hospital Fair Day will go toward the construction of the new primary care building at Grace Cottage.



The success of Hospital Fair Day, though, depends on donations to fill our booths: Plants, White Elephant, Books, Art, Jewelry, Pictures & Frames, Toys & Games, and Baked Goods. Items of value are needed for our Auction; this year we will be accepting cars, boats, fine jewelry, silver, antiques, lamps, and small pieces of furniture (the larger the piece, the less likely it is to sell these days – it's an unfortunate reality).

Fair Day also depends on volunteers (lots of them!) before, during and after the Fair. Tell us what you're interested in doing, and we will be happy to put you to work! Call us at 203-446-7378 or e-mail us at gracecottagefair@gmail.com. We gratefully embrace new (and old) volunteers, and we have a lot of fun. Have you ever wondered how to give thanks for the care you and/or loved ones have received at Grace Cottage? This is a great way to do it!

Come take part in this long tradition of giving back! – *Helen & Connie Holt*, Hospital Fair Day Co-Chairs



Look for the Grace Cottage booth at the Wardsboro 4th of July celebration! Fair Day T-Shirts, raffle tickets, and a teacup auction featuring more than 40 items, including a handmade Emotional Support Chicken! Special thanks to volunteers Connie Holt, Helen Holt, and Linda Gifkins!

Make Tracks For Health

We enjoyed a wonderful day for our 3rd annual *Make Tracks for Health* snowshoe/cross-country ski event at the Nordic Center at Stratton on Saturday, March 7. Despite a few passing sun-showers, everyone had a good time. Thanks to 25 participants and volunteers, and our generous sponsors: M&T Bank, Rawsonville Market, Solstice at Stratton. Stratton Market & Deli, Stratton Resort, Wadsworth Design/Build & Vermont Barns, and James A. Young, Counselor at Law, we raised \$5,225 for our new primary care clinic building project.



Some of the *Make Tracks* participants and volunteers

A grateful patient writes:

"I never had such a good time recuperating! I went home on Christmas Eve, but would have been happy to stay through the holidays. There wasn't one person there who wasn't happy and pleasant."

– *Margaret Shattuck*, Bellows Falls, VT

The Gift of Giving



Marion Otis Lewis

Marion was a beloved daughter of Grace Cottage founder, Dr. Carlos G. Otis and his wife, Ruth. She attended Leland & Gray, then Champlain College and George Mason University. She worked as an accountant for several public health agencies in the D.C. area before retiring to raise three of her grandchildren.

Although she was far away, she kept a close relationship with Vermont family and community. She saved up quarters to bring to Bingo at Hospital Fair Day each year – one of her favorite Fair Day pastimes!

We are grateful to Marion Otis Lewis, who remembered Grace Cottage with a bequest in her estate plans.

Janet R. Wolfe

Grace Cottage is grateful to Janet R. Wolfe for including Grace Cottage in her estate plans by naming us as a beneficiary of an annuity and a donor-advised fund. Janet was moved by the compassionate, excellent care that she received at Grace Cottage. She and her husband, Larry Doores, lived a wonderful life together before he passed away in 2016. She was a social worker in Keene, NH and Springfield, MA for many years. After they retired, she and Larry ran the Good Books Store in Bristol, RI, and lived for a time in Costa Rica before settling in Brattleboro.

Janet did not tell us of her intention, so we were not able to thank her for her generosity. We appreciate her kindness and thoughtfulness!

Congratulations, Claire Bemis, RN!

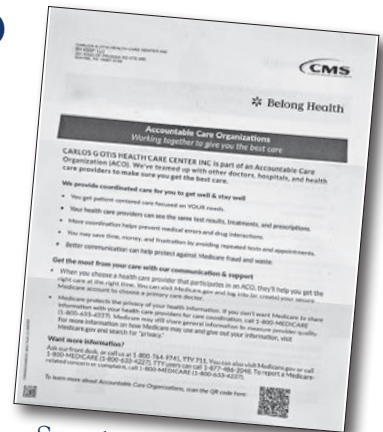


Grace Cottage's Community Health Team Care Coordinator Claire Bemis was recently recognized by Windham Aging, winning the 2026 Elizabeth Rowell Thompson Leadership Award. "Claire Bemis demonstrates exceptional leadership in improving the lives of older adults in Windham

County through her decade of service," they stated. "Through home visits, care coordination, education, and advocacy, she helps seniors age safely and independently at home. Claire bridges healthcare and community resources, champions advanced care planning, supports caregivers through dementia support groups, and plays a critical role in hospital discharge and emergency follow-up. Widely trusted by patients, families, and providers alike, she inspires a culture of compassionate, holistic care, and strengthens the community systems that allow older adults to live with dignity, safety, and choice."

New Partnership with Belong Health ACO

Grace Cottage Family Health & Hospital is now partnering with Belong Health ACO. An ACO (Accountable Care Organization) is a group of doctors, hospitals, and other health care providers who work together to provide you with high-quality, collaborative, patient-centered care across all the providers you see. CMS and Belong Health ACO sent out a communication to our Medicare patients notifying you of our collaboration, and patients were sent a letter from Grace Cottage earlier this Spring. This does not change your care with your current primary care provider, nor do you need to change or update any information. We are excited to be part of Belong Health ACO and look forward to continuing to provide exceptional healthcare services. If you have questions about the ACO, you may call 802-365-4331.



Sample letter from CMS

A grateful patient writes:

"I moved up here two years ago full-time and had some concerns that I'd be giving up amazing healthcare by moving to a rural area. I am now receiving the VERY best care of my life at Grace Cottage, with the most personalized bedside manner I have ever experienced as a patient. My primary care provider, Dr. Ewa Arnold, manages all communications, personally works with my specialists, and expertly helps me navigate them and get to the root of any problem, giving me great confidence in how things are being addressed. Everyone at Grace Cottage greets you with a genuine smile, providing a very warm welcome. I also had a terrific experience in the ER (with personal and immediate care), and Messenger Valley Pharmacy is truly incredible. Communication with the clinic is seamless and so helpful, and the prescription prices are MUCH lower than the big company drug chains in NY.

I think Grace Cottage is great, which provides me with great comfort and confidence."

– Del Ross, Newfane, VT

Donations Were Recently Received In Honor Of:

Andrea Anker ❖ Dan Arguimbau ❖ Peg Arguimbau ❖ Dr. Ewa Arnold ❖ Carol Backus ❖ Dr. Robert Backus ❖ Dewey Barry
Claire Bemis ❖ Jennifer, Hayden & Grayson Brooks ❖ Tricia Chapman ❖ Dr. Wyll Everett ❖ Stephen Goldberg
Grace Cottage Call Center Staff ❖ Grace Cottage Dietary Department ❖ Grace Cottage Emergency Staff ❖ Grace Cottage Employees
Grace Cottage Housekeeping Staff ❖ Grace Cottage Maintenance Staff ❖ Grace Cottage Strong Bones Classes
Grace Cottage Volunteers ❖ Natalie Harding ❖ Diana P. Herrmann ❖ Kasey Jardine ❖ Lawrence, Eliza, Ryen & Jace Jatsek
C.J. King ❖ Dr. Elizabeth Linder ❖ Dr. Moss Linder ❖ David & Nancy Martin ❖ Peter & Kathleen Martin ❖ Seth & Devona Martin
Chris McIntosh ❖ Messenger Valley Pharmacy Staff ❖ Betsy & Mark Miller ❖ Kayla Mulready ❖ Ryan Murphy ❖ Maya Nardone
Ilana Newton ❖ The Peterson Family ❖ Roxanne Prescott ❖ Andrea Seaton ❖ Andrew Semegram
Dr. Timothy Shafer ❖ Rachel Spengler ❖ Dr. Robert Tortolani ❖ Megan Woods

Memorial Gifts

Donations have been received between September 6, 2025-April 15, 2026 in memory of the following individuals:

Judy Acampora ❖ Sandra Adams ❖ Nancy C. Aldrich ❖ Connie Alexander ❖ Alwin Ameden ❖ Isabelle Ameden ❖ Joyce Ameden
Kjell Anker ❖ Stuart Archambault ❖ Archambault Family ❖ Francis & Minnie Arms ❖ David Austin ❖ Patricia Austin ❖ Gene & Marie Avenia
Donna Ayers ❖ Ken & Beulah Bailey ❖ Larry and Pat Ballou ❖ Peggy Baran ❖ Elise Barry ❖ Betty P. Benson
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A grateful patient writes:

“Grace Cottage has been there for my family from cradle to grave. We’re so grateful.”

– Leah Bratton,
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Grace Cottage medical staff has regular training sessions called "Competencies" to practice procedures that might occur rarely, but are critical. This helps keep their skills sharp. Here are some photos from a recent Competency Training Session.



Nurses Fred, Menekşę, and Shyla work together practicing Ostomy Dressing Changes



Grace Cottage Pharmacist Dr. John Kim headed up a training station for sterile compounding.



Nurses Christina and Jeanette practice with the High Flow Nasal Cannula