

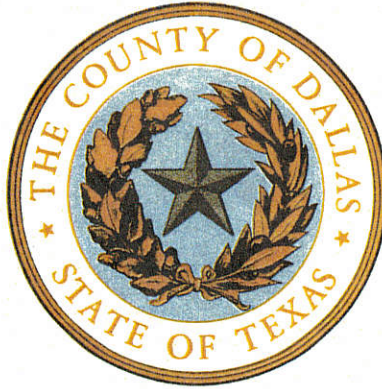
# Resolution

ORDER NO: 2017-0642

DATE: May 16, 2017

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF DALLAS §



**BE IT REMEMBERED**, at a regular meeting of the Commissioners Court of Dallas County, Texas, held on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2017, on a motion made by Dr. Theresa M. Daniel, Commissioner of District 1, and seconded by John Wiley Price, Commissioner of District 3, the following Resolution was adopted:

**WHEREAS**, The month of May is **National Asthma and Allergy Awareness Month** designed to improve the quality of life for people with asthma and allergic diseases through education, advocacy, and research; and

**WHEREAS**, According to the American College of Allergy, Asthma, and Immunology, allergic disease, including asthma, is the fifth leading chronic disease in children under 18 years old; and

**WHEREAS**, for Parkland Hospital pediatricians and family practice providers, asthma and allergies are two of the most common chronic diseases we manage. Parkland currently has 10,965 unique, active patients in the asthma registry; and


**WHEREAS**, Parkland Hospital has several avenues for helping patients with asthma. Through the state's Network Access Improvement Program or NAIP, Parkland offers spirometry testing, which measures lung function, at many of the Community Oriented Primary Care or COPC clinics where there are high numbers of patients with asthma; and

**WHEREAS**, From September 2016 to April 2017, 209 children have been spirometry tested. As part of a pilot program, Parkland has a designated pulmonologist who visits the Oak West clinic monthly to help manage patients with the most difficult to control asthma; and

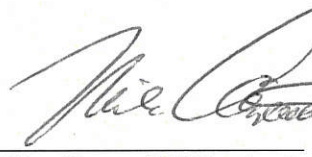
**WHEREAS**, Parkland has a registered respiratory therapist who rotates to the various COPCs to train nursing staff on correct technique for spirometry and also to support the pulmonologist. Asthma education classes are offered as well.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Dallas County Commissioners Court does hereby recognize the month of May as **National Asthma and Allergy Awareness Month** and extends gratitude towards Parkland Hospital for educating patients on how to manage their disease.

**DONE IN OPEN COURT**, this the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2017.

  
Clay Lewis Jenkins, County Judge

  
Dr. Theresa M. Daniel, District 1

  
Mike Cantrell, District 2

  
John Wiley Price, District 3

  
Dr. Elba Garcia, District 4