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By and For the People of Love County
Richard Barker,
Administrator

**Ambulance Emergency** 

911

**Clinic Appointments** 

276-2400

Hospital Information

276-3347

Adult Day Center **276-1542** 

**Community Resources** 

211

**Domestic Violence Help** 

276-2042

Hotline - 226-6424

**Growers Market** 

276-9410

## HOSPITAL'S COMPUTER DOCTOR STAYS CONNECTED

Information Technology for Mercy Health/Love County is set up and maintained by Erik Whiteman, Senior Service Center Technician/Information Technology.

The IT system provides data links among the hospital, clinic, and emergency room, speeding up the exchange of medical information and subsequent service to patients. IT support also applies to:

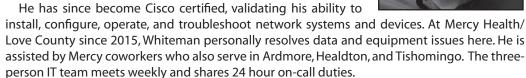
- Health Information, the system that houses your electronic medical records.
- Telephony, the system that puts a telephone at your hospital bedside and on the desk of each coworker.
- Network, the system that connects the hospital with the "outside world." This system is variously transmitting lab and x-ray results in a matter of seconds, or linking remote-site doctors or language interpreters to patients of our hospital onto computer screens.

## **Erik Whiteman**

## Senior Service Center Technician/Information Technology

When desktop computers were introduced to the world in the 1980s, California high school student Erik Whiteman found his life's direction. "My first exposure was dabbling in programming on a Tandy computer. My interest grew from there," Whiteman said. Equipped with an A.S. in computer science and electronics, in 2000 Whiteman went to work for Medtronic, a medical device manufacturer.

He performed IT support for the division that manufactured stents used to improve arterial blood flow in patients.



"In health care at Medtronic and here, the attraction is the sense of satisfaction knowing that people heal and they heal as a result of the medical technology we use at this hospital. Technology impacts lives. In the end we are impacting people and their families for the better," Whiteman said.



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