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Dexter, Missouri - Lisa Thrower, Executive Director of the Regional Healthcare Foundation, will retire at the end of June 2017. A reception for the public is planned for Tuesday, June 20th at the Foundation office located at 215 West Grant Street from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. to honor Thrower on her retirement.

Thrower has been Executive Director since July 2012, but began her tenure at the Regional Healthcare Foundation in 2008 when she volunteered with the Drug Assistance Program. Later she became a part-time patient advocate. Through her efforts the Foundation has increased awareness with such programs as the Prescription Drug Assistance Program, Mother-to-Mother, and the Stoddard County Health Coalition. A medical field related Scholarship was established and the ever popular annual Fitness Challenge was created.

She will be succeeded by Dexter retired teacher, Melinda Sweeney, at the end of June.

Dexter Community Regional Healthcare Foundation is a non-profit corporation, previously known as the Dexter Memorial Hospital, which opened in August of 1968 and maintained an active medical staff until April of 1999 when the operation of the facility was leased to a for profit corporation known today as the Missouri Southern Healthcare Hospital facility. As of January 2014, Southeast Health of Stoddard County leased the hospital.

Regional Healthcare Foundation continues to promote health and wellness, to the communities of Southeast Missouri, through its diverse community programs.

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