

# MOBILE PERSONAL SERVICES, INC. HOME HEALTH CARE

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## Happy Birthday To:

Kay Waldorf  
Deborah Apockotos  
Khaalisha Blair  
Peggy Hamilton  
Hazel Hoy  
Jennifer Labang  
Pauline McKay  
Carmen Ortiz  
Ana Rodriguez  
Rebecca Ward

## Happy Anniversary

Julie Forbes-10 years  
Anita Miller-10 years  
Linda Rose-5 years  
Vicky Aragon-4 years  
Laura Dennis-2 years

## Mobile Personal Services Welcomes:

Lynda Liley  
Bonnie Chesner  
Deborah Barclay  
Cindy Hill  
Emily Thomas  
Princess Aikins  
Ikeshia Stanley  
Gerry Kinjorski

## TRIVIA CORNER

**Q:** What percentage of our body weight is blood?

**A:** Blood makes up about 7 percent of your body's weight.

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1. An idea to improve our company is implemented.
2. Refer a nurse that gets hired.
3. Refer an aide that gets hired.

## DRUG RELATED PROBLEMS IN THE ELDERLY

Managing medication in the elderly is becoming increasingly more complex and challenging. Drug related problems may occur due to the number of prescriptions for multiple diseases or chronic conditions the elderly consume.

Optimal therapeutic outcome describes the right drug, to the right patient, at the right time. Drug related problems are any unwanted consequence of the drug utilization process. Drug misuse and adverse drug reaction or interaction are the main two drug related problems.

Any response that is unintended and undesired is an adverse drug reaction. The elderly are 2 to 3 times more likely to have an adverse reaction than younger adults.

Eight potential problems associated with drug therapy occur in elderly patients. They include the following:

1. Untreated indications
2. Improper drug selection
3. Subtherapeutic dosage

4. Failure to receive medications
5. Overdose
6. Adverse drug reactions
7. Drug interactions
8. Drug use without an indication

A team approach must be addressed among clinicians from a variety of health care disciplines to reduce drug problems in the elderly. (PHARMAwise Vol 6, No. 1)



## WELCOME OUR DIRECTOR OF NURSING

Please welcome Stacey Muller who recently became Mobile Personal Services' Director of Nursing. She earned her Degree in Nursing in 1985. She has one son. Her favorite activities are boating and biking. She also loves spending time with her two Labrador retrievers.