

# **KTXA ISSUES/PROGRAM REPORT**

**JULY 1-SEPTEMBER 30, 2019**

Attached are listings of broadcasts that, in the Licensee's judgment, reflect the most significant programming treatment of ascertained issues during the preceding three months. The Licensee broadcasts a regularly scheduled local public affairs show, Plugged into DFW, Saturdays at 6:30am. The Station also runs a number of public service announcements throughout each quarter of the year.

## **ISSUE – Health, Elderly & Aging, Disease Control & Prevention, Mental Health, Emotional Health, Pediatric Cancer**

### **Airdate 7/6/19**

Topic: Men's Health

Host: Russ McCaskey

Guests: Anand Rohatgi, MD, Cardiologist at Parkland Health & Hospital System & Associate Professor, Cardiology, UT Southwestern Medical Center; Yair Lotan, MD, Medical Director of the Urology Clinic, Parkland Health & Hospital System and Chief of Urologic Oncology, UT Southwestern Medical Center; and, Kimberly Roaten, PhD, Director of Quality for Safety, Education and Implementation, Department of Psychiatry at Parkland and Associate Professor of Psychiatry at UT Southwestern Medical Center

Show synopsis: Discussed some of the top health threats men face, including cardiovascular disease, prostate and testicular cancer, mental health issues and suicide. Symptoms/risk factors of these diseases were discussed as well as the reasons why men should pay attention to their health, and how to spot the signs of potential issues.

### **Airdate 7/13/19**

Topic: Senior Adults/Health

Host: Karen Borta

Guests: Raja Paspula, MD, Senior Lead Staff Physician, Geriatrics and Senior Health Services, Parkland Health & Hospital System; Aaron Van Wright, MD, Psychiatrist, Parkland Health & Hospital System and Associate Professor of Psychiatry, UT Southwestern Medical Center; Angela Hill, PhD, Psychologist, Parkland Health & Hospital System; Neeley Crabtree, Social Worker, Geriatrics, Parkland Health & Hospital System

Show synopsis: Discussed how aging effects physical, mental and emotional health. how to choose long-term care for elderly loved ones. Discussed the biological effects of aging, the differences in aging between men and women, risks for falls, and how caregivers can best help elderly patients.

## **Airdate 7/27/19**

Topic: Medical/Vaccinations

Host: Russ McCaskey

Guests: Russ Jones, Chief Epidemiologist, Tarrant Co. Public Health; Dr. Nancy Kelly, Pediatrician, Children's Health and Associate Professor at UT Southwestern; Dr. Donna I Vasquez, American Family Care Medical Director; Tralisa Hall, Program Manager for HPV Cancer Free Texas

Show synopsis: Discussion centered on medical vaccines for children, what is required, what is not required, the pro's and cons of vaccines, and the side effects of vaccines on children. Devoted one segment of the show specifically on the measles and how to deal with it. Also presented segment on cancers as it relates to children and the importance of getting the HPV vaccine.

## **Airdate 8/17/19**

Topic: Anxiety/Health

Host: Ken Molestina

Guest: Dr. Suvrat Bhargave, Clinical Psychiatrist

Show synopsis: discussed the biology behind anxiety, as well as symptoms, triggers and treatment. Discussed how parents can help their children with any anxiety and stress about going back-to-school.

## **Airdate 9/7/19**

Topic: Community/Pubic Service

Host: Karen Borta

Guests: Jennifer Arthur, Executive Director, Children's Cancer Fund and Dr. Patrick Leavey, Pediatric oncologist at Children's Health and Professor at UT Southwestern

Show synopsis: Discussion centered around the Station's efforts to raise money for the Childrens Cancer Fund. Discussed the prevalence, symptoms and treatment of children's cancer. Discussed what CCF is doing to fund research for a cure for pediatric cancer. Discussed the KTVT/KTXA community event, *Pulling Together*.

## **Airdate 9/21/19**

Topic: Autism

Host: Russ McCaskey

Guest: Maria Krystofik - Senior Manager, Field Development, DFW Autism Speaks

Show Synopsis: Discussed the prevalence, risk factors, signs and symptoms of autism.

## **Airdate 9/28/19**

Topic: Thyroid

Host: Karen Borta

Guest: Alex Tessnow, MD, Endocrinologist, Parkland Health & Hospital System and Associate Professor of Endocrinology and Metabolism, UT Southwestern Medical Center

Show synopsis: Discussion on how the thyroid works in the body, as well as the problems associated with the gland. Discussed the sign and symptoms of hypothyroidism and hyperthyroidism.

## **ISSUE – Children**

### **Airdate 7/20/19**

Topic: **Gaming Addiction**

Host: Russ McCaskey

Guests: Dr. David Atkinson, Medical Director of the Teen Recovery Program at Children's Health & Assistant Professor at UT Southwestern; Dr. Ricardo Medina, Pediatric Gastroenterologist at Children's Health & Assistant Professor at UT Southwestern; Dr. Serena Wang, Pediatric Ophthalmologist at Children's Health & Associate Professor at UT Southwestern; Dr. Alice Ann Holland, Pediatric Neuropsychologist at Children's Health & Assistant Professor at UT Southwestern

Show synopsis: Discussion on physical and emotional responses children could have to gaming and extended time on portable digital devices. Discussed how parents can help prevent mental and physical issues and the warning signs for parents to look out for. Also discussed how to keep kids' privacy intact while online.

## **ISSUE – Insect Control for Health**

**Airdate 8/3/19**

Topic: Arboviruses Prevention and Pest Control

Host: Russ McCaskey

Guests: Philip Huang, MD, MPH, Director, Dallas Co. Health & Human Services; Jannette Bushard, Cook Children's Pediatrician; Emory Matts, Entomologist and Technical Services Manager, Presto-X

Show synopsis: Discussed different parasitic bugs and the diseases they bring communities. Segment #1 dealt with mosquitos and West Nile Virus; Segment #2 focused on Lyme Disease carried by ticks; Segment #3 focused on lice; and Segment #4 focused on bedbugs.

## **ISSUE – Legal/Financial Planning**

**Airdate 8/10/19**

Topic: Estate Planning

Host: Karen Borta

Guest: Cathy DeWitt Dunn, CEO & President, DeWitt and Dunn Financial Services

Show synopsis: Discussion on the importance of having a will and estate plan to protect your financial assets and family. Also discussed items such as financial power of attorney, health care power of attorney, a living will, and a trust. Discussed best ways to find a financial planner.

## **ISSUE – Public Safety/Public Interest/Community**

**Airdate 8/24/19**

Topic: Online Safety

Host: Karen Borta

Guest: Rebecca Edwards, Senior Security Writer and Safety Expert, Safewise

Show synopsis: Discussion on ways to protect children online. Topics included: cyberbullying, online predators, parental controls, basic online safety guidelines, and what action to take in case of cyberbullying.

**Airdate 8/31/19**

Topic: “How to Defuse the Landmines” by Kelly Accetta

Host: Madison Sawyer

Guest: Kelly Accetta, Life Coach

Show synopsis: Discussion on ways women can overcome challenges in life and live life to the fullest, both personally and professionally.

**Airdate 9/14/19**

Topic: North Texas Giving Day

Host: Karen Borta

Guests: Susan Swan Smith, Chief North Texas Giving Day Officer, CFT; Julie Siegel, Executive Director, Heroes for Children; Gena Smith, received aid from HFC; Christian Smith, diagnosed with Cancer at 15; Stephanie Jennings, Marketing & Communications Director, Heard Museum; Courtney Craig, Public Relations & Marketing Coordinator with Canine Companions

Show synopsis: Discussed the mission of North Texas Giving Day with representatives from three nonprofits participating.