

Meet the Doshier Trustee: Q&A with Dr. Robert Zukoski

Question #1: As one of the longest serving members of the Doshier Medical Staff, what's the biggest change you've seen in medicine in your 34 years in practice?

Dr. Zukoski: The increasing use of sophisticated technology in the diagnosis and monitoring of patients. This has allowed for very accurate diagnostic testing and safety in the care of our patients. This technology today is shared by hospitals both large and small, assuring the standardization and safe care of patients in all hospitals.



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Question 2: How did you get interested in hospital governance?

Dr. Zukoski: I was requested and encouraged by many patients to become more directly involved in their care through the governance of their hospital.

Question 3: If there's anything you could have done differently in your health career, what would that be?

Dr. Zukoski: To have been more involved in the mentoring and training of the next general of our healthcare providers.

Question 4: What is the most important thing you'd like the public to know about Doshier Memorial Hospital?

Dr. Zukoski: As always, the nursing care remains a strong cornerstone of what Doshier Memorial Hospital is about. I've experienced this care first hand as an inpatient in the recent past.

Doshier Memorial Hospital is the only independent, critical access hospital in North Carolina. It is governed by a Board of Trustees elected by the public, and Dr. Zukoski has served on the seven-member board since 1995. The Patient Care Unit at the hospital is named for him.



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