

Why I Chose Clovis



Lori Ruffner
Clovis Community Medical Center

During her early career years as an operating room nurse, Lori J. Ruffner, RN, knew how to assist the surgeons to return the patient to good health. Now, as the top administrator at Clovis Community Medical Center, Ruffner knows what the community as a whole needs for good health.

"My strong nursing background really does help me connect with the physicians, patients, and employees here in Clovis," said Ruffner, who oversaw a \$27 million expansion that added a 48,000-square-foot outpatient care center and a number of other improvements to the Clovis facility in 2002.

"As a nurse, you have to be very efficient and be able to anticipate ahead of time what is needed," said Ruffner. In prosperous Clovis, that means keeping up with the growth and providing for the young population.

"Not only do we have a fine reputation for state-of-the-art technology here at the hospital, we also have a stellar reputation for providing the best in obstetrical care. Everybody wants to come here to have their baby." Plans also call for adding another building that will make Clovis a 300-bed capacity medical center by the year 2008, Ruffner said.