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NEWS RELEASE

Grand Valley Oncology Celebrates One Year Milestone of Providing Radiation Oncology Treatment to Cancer Patients in the Grand Valley

Mesa County, Colo.--- Grand Valley Oncology is honored to celebrate the one-year anniversary of the radiation oncology program. In partnership with the University of Utah Health Care and Huntsman Cancer Institute, Community Hospital began providing radiation oncology treatment for cancer patients in western Colorado and eastern Utah in March 2016. Since that time, the radiation oncology team at Grand Valley Oncology has treated over 150 cancer patients. **An anniversary celebration will take place at Grand Valley Oncology’s radiation oncology vault located at 2373 G Road, Suite 140 at 12:00 pm on Tuesday, March 7, 2017.**

Grand Valley Oncology opened in December 2014. Doctors JoAnne Virgilio and Diane Melancon (Medical Oncologists), Dr. Ruth Higdon (Gynecologic Oncology Surgeon), Michael Appel (Oncology Pharm.D.) and nearly twenty of the Grand Valley’s finest oncology nurses joined Community Hospital to develop a new cancer program at Community Hospital. Exactly one year later, Community Hospital announced their formal affiliation with the world-renowned Huntsman Cancer Institute.

In just two short years, Community Hospital’s oncology program has become a highly sought after, full-service cancer center, offering both medical and radiation oncology services and attracting patients from all over the region.

“We are thrilled to celebrate this milestone for Community Hospital’s radiation oncology program,” said Ryan Bagley, MD. “It is important that cancer patients have a choice in where to receive treatment locally. We believe Grand Valley Oncology is a great choice for cancer patients in the Grand Valley and surrounding areas,” added Dr. Bagley.

Community Hospital’s highly trained and experienced radiation therapy team works closely with medical oncologists, surgeons and specialists from other disciplines to provide high quality, comprehensive cancer care. Community Hospital’s most advanced radiation equipment allows radiation oncologists Gayle Miller, MD and J. Ryan Bagley, MD, and medical physicist Charles Fuller, PhD to target treatment of tumors with remarkable precision and thereby spare healthy surrounding tissue – maximizing cures while minimizing side effects.

For more information on the services provided by Grand Valley Oncology, please call 970-254-3180 or visit www.grandvalleyoncology.com.

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