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NEWS RELEASE

Community Hospital to Host School District 51 High School Students for Health Care Career Day

Mesa County, Colo.--- Community Hospital is pleased to once again host area high school students for the 2018 Health Care Career Day. On Thursday, March 22, approximately 60 sophomore and junior high school students will visit Community Hospital to learn the roles and responsibilities of health care professionals.

During the half day event, there will be six 20-minute interactive sessions hosted by staff who represent a wide variety of disciplines and specialties, including the emergency department, intensive care unit, surgical services, radiology, labor and delivery, therapy, and the autopsy suite.

The students will follow a fictitious scenario of three patients, “Tommy Teenager” “Melinda Mom”, and “Kody Kid”, after they sustain injuries from an automobile accident as a result of texting and driving. To launch this scenario, the students will hear a simulated radio call from an ambulance team en route to the hospital and then observe emergency medicine practice once the patients reach the hospital.

Students will follow the injured patients through a simulated clinical pathway, exposing them to various interactive learning disciplines. Each participant will see firsthand how various skilled health care professionals function in the care of a patient, what level of expertise is needed to perform those functions and how experience and training prepares health care professionals for the many challenges they face on the job every day.

Members of the media are welcome and encouraged to cover this fun and educational event. Please contact Karen Martsolf, director of marketing and communications with questions or to arrange an interview during the scenario. Supervised video opportunities will also be available throughout the event.

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