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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 2017 Health Care Career Day. On Tuesday, March 14, approximately 40 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 presentations by critical, medical and surgical nursing care, including emergency department staff, intensive care unit and operating room staff, radiology, labor and delivery and the autopsy suite.

The students will follow a fictitious scenario of three patients, “Tommy Teenager” and “Trina Teenager” as well as “Melinda Mom”, after they sustain injuries from an automobile accident following a pill party the teenagers attended. 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 with one of the presenters. Supervised video opportunities will also be available throughout the event.**

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