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Community Hospital to Celebrate ‘TOPPING OUT’ with Installation of Last Steel Beam on the new James Pulsipher Regional Cancer and Medical Office Building

Mesa County, CO - Community Hospital and FCI Construction will host a TOPPING OUT party to celebrate the installation of the last steel beam on Tuesday, October 25 from 11:00am - 1:00pm in the parking lot just north of the construction site. The topping out celebration marks the intermediate point of the construction project with the last beam of steel placed atop the building. As part of tradition, employees, construction workers, donors, and other supporters will sign the beam prior to installation to mark their involvement in the project.

The topping out celebration will take place thirteen months after breaking ground on the James Pulsipher Regional Cancer Center and medical office building. The \$54mm construction project is slated for completion December 2023.

The new 126,000 square foot medical office building and regional cancer center is the latest project which underscores the unparalleled growth and success of Community Hospital and Grand Valley Oncology. This additional space is paramount in order to better support the health care needs of western Colorado and eastern Utah.

“This project is our hospital’s commitment to our partners to build a state-of-the-art regional cancer center and continue to develop our highly sought after cancer treatment program with the best possible medical and radiation oncologists in the region,” said Chris Thomas, President and CEO for Community Hospital. “It is the culmination of the commitment we made to our community and the oncology providers and staff who joined us in 2014 to start a new cancer program at Community Hospital. Grand Valley Oncology is one of our fastest growing service lines. In less than ten years, Grand Valley Oncology has become the premier cancer center on the Western Slope because of the incredible leadership of JoAnne Virgilio, DO and the stellar team of medical and radiation oncologists and dedicated staff. We are extremely proud of this project,” added Thomas.

Community Hospital’s Grand Valley Oncology is a Commission on Cancer accredited program. Grand Valley Oncology earned the prestigious recognition of Patient-Centered Specialty Practice by the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA). The Patient-Centered Specialty Practice recognition is highly coveted and emphasizes Community Hospital’s commitment to providing the highest quality health care possible to patients in western Colorado and eastern Utah. Today, Grand Valley Oncology is one of the largest cancer centers in the area, offering a full range of cancer treatment options including medical and radiation oncology, gynecological oncology, genetic counseling, social services, clinical trials, and a survivorship program.

Community Hospital is a Level III Trauma Center offering full outpatient diagnostic services and inpatient care for the Western Slope region of Colorado and eastern Utah. Community Hospital brings together expert staff and world-class technology in a healing, family-centered environment. For more information, please visit www.YourCommunityHospital.com.

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