

Brake for Breakfast 2014



On October 1, twelve of the fourteen member hospitals participated in our annual Brake for Breakfast event. THC hospitals prepped for over 13,000 participants between the twelve facilities. This number surpassed the previous year and continues to grow.

On September 24, THC staff members, Robert Cuoio and Kylee Hale headed to Sam's Club to pick up supplies for the

event. With over 9,000 granola bars and several cases of Welch's Fruit Juice and Capri Suns, the office was over flowing with supplies.

While Sam's Club was utilized to pick up non-perishable items, Costco worked very well with THC to accommodate our need to pick up other breakfast items such as yogurt and string cheese. We appreciate Costco for their donation of \$300 to the total purchase, which saved each hospital about \$0.03 per item.

Bingham Memorial Hospital planned for 3,500 participants this year and extended the offer to our smaller hospitals for bag purchases to help save on costs. Over 5,000 bags were purchased in a bulk order. We would like to extend our

appreciativeness to Bingham Memorial for their willingness to work collaboratively with the other hospitals on this order.

Please watch for our special edition newsletter that will come out later this month featuring pictures and articles all about each facility's Brake for Breakfast experience. Be sure to send us pictures from your facility and anything else you would like featured in the article.

We at THC would like to extend a huge thank you to everyone who helped plan and participate in this years event.



Above: Cars line up at Minidoka Memorial Hospital to get their grab bag.

To the Left: Brake for Breakfast supplies overwhelm the office at THC.



Best Practices in Decision Making: The Movement toward Evidence-Based Management

Healthcare professionals have come to embrace the truth that getting clinical decisions right requires wide-scale application of the principles of evidence-based medicine (EBM). In more recent years, health care leaders have come to recognize that the systematic use of evidence will also improve the quality of major management decisions throughout their health care organizations. Not surprisingly, the successful implementation of EBM requires the support of EBMGT.

In this workshop the presenters will share highlights from a 2013 survey on the use and practice of evidence-based management (EBMGT) by senior leaders at Idaho hospitals. Presenters will also share issues, trends, and best practices associated with EBMGT via lecture, discussion, and presentation of case studies.



Evidence-Based Management Seminar

Sponsored by
Idaho State University

November 14, 2014
9:00 am—12:00 pm

Light refreshments and lunch will be provided

Location: ISU Pond Student Union Building/Salmon River Suites (Pocatello, ID)

Registration: call Kylee Hale at (208) 239-1950

Fees: No cost to members of THC

Audience: Leaders and Managers of The Hospital Cooperative (THC)

Parking: Please park in the Fine Arts/Student Union Parking Lot immediately west of the ISU Pond Student Union Building

Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center

EIRMC's Cath Lab Remodel Yields Clearer Visuals

In 2013, EIRMC's Cardiology Department did roughly 1,600 cases in two Cath Labs. One Lab recently was given a \$780,000 facelift, the first in a slew of planned improvements and upgrades for the department. Along with cosmetic upgrades (floors, cabinets, etc.), the remodel replaced previous equipment with the GE 730 IS—a new, state-of-the-art system, now regionally found only at EIRMC. This new system allows for decreased radiation exposure, better visuals, and also complies with patient safety standards.

Safer Equipment

With the new system, the cumulative radiation exposure is much less now than it was with the old equipment. How much less? Radiation exposure is now 70-80% less than the industry standard. Because the dosage of radiation is 3,000 rays slower with the new equipment, staff and physicians are able to stay in the lab longer without reaching unsafe radiation levels.

Seeing Better

The images produced by the new system are of better resolution and clarity, allowing physicians and techs a cleaner x-ray. The system permits staff to view both new slides, as well as existing, old slides, simultaneously. It also doesn't hurt that these slides are viewed on a 55" screen.

The clarity also allows for excellent mapping—techs get a clearer image allowing them to better track a patient's dosage to certain parts of the body.

Patient Satisfaction

At EIRMC, patients have the option for a transradial catheter—a catheter with entry at the patient's wrist, as an alternative to the groin. This reduces complications, decreases bleeding, and promotes faster recovery. "Fewer than 15% of programs across the nation offer transradial access; in fact, we bring in physicians from around the country to teach them this method. This new system is the most advanced technology available in the region. The clarity of image allows for more complex cases to be completed in a safer environment. Image quality provides me with more confidence and efficiency. Time is muscle, so being able to." John Lassetter, M.D.

EIRMC is a regional leader for many cardiology services, including cardiac catheterization (including transradial), chronic coronary occlusion, cardiac implants, Peripheral Valve Disease, and atrial septal defect (ASD) closures.



Above is the new GE 730 Cath Lab System recently installed at EIRMC.

Lost Rivers Medical Center

Lost Rivers Undergoes Updates

In the pursuit to fulfill our mission to provide our community with comprehensive medical care, Patrick D. Gorman M.D. of Idaho Falls will be providing our community with cardiology services. Implementation of the medical center's EMR is currently in process and will go-live jointly, with the welcoming of our new cardiologist, on October 1.

After finishing a new parking lot, Lost Rivers Medical Center moves forward with its facility-wide improvements. The roof is also undergoing a complete remodel which began on September 2. That project is scheduled to wrap up before the snow flies.

We look forward to the fulfillment of our current projects and to what future projects are in store for us out here in our Lost Rivers Valley.



Construction on the roof began September 2, 2014 and is scheduled to be finished before winter.

Minidoka Memorial Hospital

Minidoka Moves for the Future

In an effort to enhance physician recruitment, increase patient flow and provide easy access to primary care for Mini-Cassia residents Minidoka Memorial Hospital has decided to build a medical office building. With a projected completion date of May 2015, this office building is scheduled to house two internal medicine specialists, three family practice providers, and two or more mid-level practitioners. With 25% left vacant for future provider growth.

Future plans include providing office space for visiting specialists so local patients may have access to medical specialists without the effort of traveling.

With a price tag of in excess of \$3,000,000 it is expected to be technologically advanced, ergonomically modern, and aesthetically pleasing to the patients, providers and general public. Our current office complex is vintage 1970s and is no longer adaptable for new physicians wanting to provide modern medicine in a modern environment.

With the onset of electronic health records, digital test results and patient record sharing this new building will offer the latest in electronic capabilities. The site plan offers an adjacent location for a second similar building if future demand requires more providers. Minidoka Memorial Hospital has a history of adding the latest in medical technology to meet the needs of our service area. An example of this is the recent purchase of the only 80-slice CT available in Southern Idaho and contracting with a radiology group with more than 20 radiologists for procedures and readings.

This new medical office building provides one more step into the future of easy access to primary medicine for the Mini-Cassia Community and enhanced community development for the City of Rupert.

MINIDOKA MEDICAL PLAZA



Bear Lake Memorial Hospital

Bear Lake Continues to Expand

Bear Lake Memorial Hospital's Manor – Assisted Living Facility is expanding. The expansion includes eleven new assisted living suites and a brand new spa room. Estimated completion is set for February 2015.



Construction is underway on the current expansion of the offsite assisted living facility in Bear Lake.

People's Choice Winner at Bear Lake Memorial

Bear Lake Memorial announced 2014 People's Choice winner Ryan Messerly at their end of summer employee party. Two nominations were received for Ryan going above and beyond the call of duty of his job. Those selected for People's Choice receive a paid day off, \$100 cash, a plaque, and a premier parking spot for the year. All nominees receive a \$25 gift card for their efforts in making Bear Lake Memorial the Most Caring Hospital on Earth!



Ryan Messerly accepts his award for People's Choice

Power County Hospital District

Power County Welcomes New Faces

Power County Hospital District and the Board of Trustees are excited to welcome Dr. S. Garrett Seibold and Dr. Robert Mena to the Hospital District and community. They join our nurse practitioners at the Power County Family Clinic and will be doing emergency room and hospital coverage as well.

Dr. Seibold is board certified in family medicine. He completed his training at Michigan State University and his family medicine residency program in Denver, Colorado. Dr. Seibold says that he chose family medicine, because "I love families and getting to know all of them from the kids to the grandparents. I also like the diversity and continuity of care with family medicine. I can build relationships with people over time and that type of care is lacking in specialty medicine." He and his wife Chelsey have two young daughters. He enjoys time spent with family, volunteer work, and an afternoon on the golf course.



Dr. Mena is board certified in family medicine with over 19 years of experience in family and rural health medicine. Originally from Texas, he has practiced in the western states and also currently has a practice in Jerome, Idaho. Dr. Mena sees patients at the Power County Family Clinic and hospital two days a week. He is also bilingual Spanish to better serve the health care needs of the area's Hispanic patients and families. Dr. Mena has been married for 30 years and has six boys. His family is active in sports, scouting, snowboarding, and all outdoor activities that Idaho has to offer.



Dr. Seibold and Dr. Mena are now accepting new patients at Power County Family Clinic. Walk-ins are welcome and the clinic is also open on Saturdays from 9:00 am-1:00 pm.

Power County Receives Grant

The Power County Hospital District recently received a \$10,000 grant from the Laura Moore Cunningham Foun-

ation and a \$6,000 grant from an anonymous donor to replace the worn hematology analyzer for the Power County Hospital lab.

Annual Power County Scarecrow Auction

The PCHD Foundation will also be holding the 6th Annual Scarecrow Auction and Chili Cook-off on Thursday, October 9, 2014 from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm at the William Thomas Middle School in American Falls. This year will also include a car and rifle raffle, donated by a local merchant. Proceeds will be applied toward the purchase of new equipment for the hospital and clinic.



Star Valley Medical Center

Star Valley Expresses Gratitude

Star Valley Medical Center would like to thank the Nell J. Redfield Memorial Hospital administration and staff for allowing us to assist in their culture change training. On September 10, three of our Spark Plugs traveled to Malad to join the staff meetings and kick off *The Florence Prescription* with them. Our team was able to introduce key concepts from the book as well highs and lows of our culture change adventure, "It's really more a way of life than it is a program or prescription." The dialog with the Nell J. Redfield staff was very productive.

It's obvious that the team in Malad has a passion to provide the best patient care possible and would like to see the culture represent that. We look forward to hearing

about your success and continued improvement. Always remember what Florence said, "Leaders must often follow those whom one is supposed to be leading. Indeed, when there is a culture of ownership, leaders are often followers and followers are often leaders."



By being part of this movement, our Spark Plugs returned energized, and with additional ideas to keep SVMC moving to the next level with our culture. "If we each do our part, we will change our lives for the better. If we all do our parts, we will change our organization for the better. And in changing our organizations, we can change our world for the better."

Portneuf Medical Center

PMC Welcomes New Staff Members



Will Stinger, DO, Obstetrics/Gynecology
Pocatello Women's Health



Morgan Yost, DO,
Otolaryngology (Ear, Nose and Throat)
Portneuf ENT Clinic



Elizabeth Parsons,
MD, Pediatrics
Pocatello Children's Clinic



Zachary Warnock,
MD, Family Medicine
Intermountain Medical Clinic



Colby Johnson, MD,
Hospitalist
Portneuf Medical Center



Hira Siktel, MD, Nephrology
Idaho Kidney Institute

PMC Goes Trauma Level 2

Portneuf is a Trauma Level 2 hospital! The surveyors from the American College of Surgeons finished their survey on September 15 and they are recommending that Portneuf Medical Center receive the accreditation.

On behalf of Portneuf and to the communities we serve, all of us are so appreciative of this designation. It will be fun to watch how this new designation reveals many more opportunities and successes for our hospital in the very near future.

Teton Valley Health Care

Harvest Health Fair 2014

TVHC's annual Harvest Health Fair was held Saturday, September 27 in Driggs. This year's event featured free ultrasound carotid checks, blood draw readings, vision and oral screenings, among other offerings. They also had trivalent flu shots available for \$25 and information about the 2015 Health Insurance Exchange. This was a great fun-filled community event!



Enterovirus news and community benefit via online communication

In response to the outbreak of Enterovirus in the Midwest and Idaho's Border States, Teton Valley Hospital is offering free pulse-oximetry testing for children. To publicize this timely offering, TVHC produced a Youtube video about EV-D68, its causes, symptoms and prevention methods.

We also included information about the pulse-oxymetry testing in the video. Our social media posts with a press release and the accompanying video garnered a reach of over 1,500 people in just two days. As well, we saw an increase in website traffic and close to 100 video views in three days in addition to drawing people in for our free pulse-ox testing service.

To view the video visit <http://youtu.be/RNzyRKumkhA>.



Foundation gives over \$250,000 to Teton Valley Hospital

The Teton Valley Hospital Foundation Board voted to allocate \$117,000 in funds to Teton Valley Hospital for various projects including a new nurse call system and back-up emergency generator. With the hospital's fiscal year ending September 30, 2014, this brings the number of total charitable donations from the Foundation to over \$250,000.

The Foundation Board consists of seven dedicated directors who oversee events, private giving and grant writing efforts, all in support of Teton Valley Hospital.

"We've had an excellent year of community generosity," said Executive Director Diane Tauer Temple. "It's very satisfying for our donors and grantors to know that their gifts have such a positive impact on the delivery of healthcare within Teton Valley."



Bingham Memorial Hospital

Dr. Hugh Selznick & Dr. Adam D. Wray Receive National Award for Patient Satisfaction

Congratulations to Dr. Hugh Selznick and Dr. Adam D. Wray who were recently recognized by HealthStream, Inc. with the ***Excellence through Insight*** award for achieving patient satisfaction scores that exceeded industry standards.

Dr. Hugh Selznick of Bingham Memorial's Orthopedic Institute and Dr. Adam D. Wray of Bingham Dermatology Center received the award as a result of their top performance in patient satisfaction and excellence. They are being recognized for providing the highest standards not only benefiting their patients and practices, but the way health care is perceived and valued by the community.

The physicians were chosen for receiving the highest ratings in clinic satisfaction from among HealthStream's clients, as well as exceeding industry standards. Ratings and reviews are based on various components of care, including bedside manner, follow-up care, ease of appointment setting, courtesy of office staff, and overall appointment experience.



Bingham Memorial Welcomes New Providers Dr. Brady Martin, Family Medicine

Brady Martin, DO, was raised in Twin Falls, Idaho, and graduated from Idaho State University. After graduating from the College of Osteopathic Medicine at Des Moines University, he completed his Family Medicine Residency at Fairfield Medical Center in Ohio. He specializes in family medicine and is welcoming new patients of all ages.



Dr. Garry Martin II, Plastic & Reconstructive, Cosmetic, Hand & Microvascular Surgery

Garry Martin II, MD, attended the University of South Carolina School of Medicine, and completed a six-year residency program in plastic and reconstructive surgery. As a plastic surgeon, he specializes in the repair, reconstruction, or replacement of physical defects. In addition, Dr. Martin completed a fellowship at the Yale-New Haven Hospital in hand and microvascular surgery. He is qualified to perform all aspects of hand surgery, including trau-



matic hand surgery, carpal tunnel, and arthritis procedures. Dr. Martin's office is located on the first floor of the Bingham Memorial Medical Plaza in Blackfoot, and he's welcoming new patients.

Karla Adams, FNP, Family Medicine

Karla comes to Bingham with over 26 years of medical experience. She started her career as a Licensed Practical Nurse and later became certified as a Registered Nurse. After graduating from Idaho State University, she now holds a Master of Science in Nursing as a Family Nurse Practitioner. She specializes in family practice with an emphasis on pediatrics, and her practice is located inside Toro Family Medicine in Blackfoot.



Jenni Sanderson, FNP, Family Medicine

Jenni is board-certified by the American Association of Nurse Practitioners, and is licensed by the state of Idaho to provide family-centered healthcare to patients of all ages. She also holds a Master of Science in Nursing as a Family Nurse Practitioner. Jenni is passionate about helping people and is welcoming new patients at 1st Choice Urgent Care in Blackfoot.



New Physician Open House

Bingham Memorial Hospital will be holding an open house in honor of the 17 new healthcare providers they have welcomed to their medical staff this year. And, you're cordially invited to attend.

When: Thursday, October 9, 2014

Time: 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Location: Bingham Memorial Medical Plaza, 98 Poplar Street, Blackfoot, Idaho

The open house will be an opportunity for the community to become acquainted with Bingham Memorial's new healthcare providers along with the services and procedures they offer. These new doctors and healthcare practitioners continue to help Bingham Memorial provide high-quality medical care in a caring and compassionate manner.

There will be live entertainment, refreshments, complimentary gifts, money saving coupons, product demonstrations, and doors prizes. To help entertain the kids while parents mix and mingle with physicians, there will be a face painter, balloon artist, and a variety of food stations.

Madison Memorial Hospital

Change in Chief of Staff

Madison Memorial Hospital welcomes Dr. Jay McMaster as the new Chief of Staff. Dr. McMaster took over his



new responsibilities in September 2014. Dr. McMaster has lived in Rexburg since 2006 with his wife and eight children. Originally from Utah, he spent four years in Missouri for medical school and then five years in Tulsa, Oklahoma for his residency training in Otolaryngology. He has been trained and received a strong background in general ENT conditions and surgeries. He

has a particular interest in thyroid surgery; otologic (ear) surgeries; and sinus diseases, surgeries, and allergies. His clinic is Upper Valley ENT in Rexburg. We look forward to working with Dr. McMaster and are excited as we look to our future. We also wish to thank Dr. Doug Cottrell for his years of service as the previous Chief of Staff. He has served well and is well respected in the medical community. Dr. Cottrell specializes in pediatrics and has his office within Season's Medical in Rexburg.

Women's Health Conference

Madison Memorial Hospital is excited to announce that it is holding a Women's Health Conference in Rexburg on Saturday, October 11, 2014 located at Madison High School. The purpose of the Women's Conference will be to bring together the hospital and healthcare professionals to educate women on issues of improving and maintaining proper health and safety. The presenters for the conference will be local health care providers who specialize in their particular subject materials. The guests of the event will participate in age specific breakout sessions enabling them to receive information particular to their needs. The event will begin with S. Blake Wachter, MD, PhD,

who will be our key-note speaker. Included in the event will be a light breakfast, vendor booths, and a brown bag



lunch. We are looking forward to sharing this important conference with the women of our community.

Urology Service Line Now Offered

New to our Out-Patient Specialty Clinic is Dr. Alberto G. Corica, MD, who will be adding urology to our service line. We are very pleased to welcome Dr. Corica to our facility. Dr. Corica specializes in robotic surgery, minimally invasive urologic surgery and endourology. He attended medical school at Universidad Nacional de Cuyo in Argentina. From there, Dr. Corica completed his residency at University of South Florida and went on to get his Fellowship from Virginia Prostate Center at Eastern Virginia Medical School.



The skill his father displays, particularly the compassion he shows to everyone he cares for, serves Dr. Corica well today. He, like his father, got into medicine to help people and he looks forward to continuing this legacy of care. Dr. Corica has worked at Portneuf Urology Clinic in Pocatello and will have scheduled days at Madison Memorial Specialty Clinic in Rexburg.

Caribou Memorial Hospital

Caribou Offers New Services

Caribou recently performed a home sleep study and the results were sent to our newly credentialed pulmonologist, Dr. Salem from Idaho Falls. He interpreted the results and sent the data to the patient's local physician, who wrote a prescription for a new CPAP machine. The new CPAP machine which was delivered to CMH by the Lincare representative. The patient's quality of sleep/life has significantly improved.

Caribou Memorial Hospital recently had their first adolescent tele-psychiatry visit with a newly credentialed psychiatrist from the University of Utah in Salt Lake City, UT.

In September, staff from CMH and THC went to Afton, WY to see how SVMC does chemotherapy. Staff met with Dr. Ririe (oncologist at Portneuf Medical Center) and he provided an overview. CMH will be receiving a special chemo mixing hood from The Hospital Cooperative through a grant. Four nurses are already certified to start delivering chemotherapy and they hope to be able to start offering the service soon.

Nell J. Redfield Memorial Hospital

Intern Enjoys Time at Nell J.

It's not every student who earns a chance to work in six different areas of one's county hospital during summer break, but Mariela Hernandez, now a senior at Malad High School, was one of three students pioneering the SEITec internship program this summer.

SEITec, which launched last fall, is the consortium-styled charter school serving students enrolled in professional and technical classes on the Malad, West Side and Preston high school campuses. Students can graduate from SEI-Tec with industry certification and a diploma, even while they earn a diploma from their home high school.

To start the process, Hernandez gave her resume and a cover letter to SEITec's principal, Rachel Madsen, and later interviewed for the internship position.

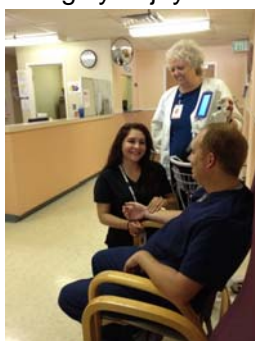
Hernandez began her first rotation in the lab, where she learned that lab technicians are scientists, whether they're running blood tests or culturing bacteria to determine if they're harmful or not. With acute care nursing, she experienced an adrenaline rush whenever she heard the ambulance arrive. Hernandez thoroughly enjoyed her stint in the emergency room; one time the ER was so busy that staff had to call in another nurse to help cover cases.

She was also able to watch five different types of surgeries, and the surgeons were "always trying to explain what they were doing or looking at me to make sure I was learning." Hernandez learned that sterile technique was taken very seriously.

In physical therapy, she learned how to use ultrasound machines. She was even offered a part-time job as an aide there, if she wanted it. (She already works as a CNA on the long-term care side of the hospital.)

She was also able to talk to staff about deciding between a career as a nurse practitioner or physician assistant. After this experience, Hernandez thinks she'll pursue a career as a physician assistant.

Marilyn Morley, an RN in acute care at Nell J. Redfield Memorial in Malad, Oneida County's hospital, praised Hernandez: "She was pleasant and helpful, asked multiple questions, and came prepared and excited to learn. It was great."



Morley also reflected on the benefit the internship brought to the hospital. "I think it's always helpful to have people who are learning and excited; I think that when we have a teaching environment, it benefits everyone. It keeps us thinking and learning; it keeps the environment fresh with someone there who's eager to learn."

Troy Estep, community relations manager for Redfield Memorial, said, "I think these experiences can really benefit health care here in the community. If you can give these opportunities to bright, young health care workers, there's a chance they might come back home to work."

"We at SEITec are grateful to the hospital staff for their commitment to education and their willingness to provide this opportunity for Mariela," said Principal Madsen.

Another of the internship opportunities was earned by Brady Schow, an automotive student at Malad High, who interned with West Motor Company's service department in Preston. Eric Martin worked with computer technology in the Malad school district.

SEITec funded the initial 3 internships, but is working to create other internship opportunities with local businesses. To learn more about the benefits an internship can bring your business, please contact Ellen Gregory, SEITec's work-based learning coordinator, at ellen.gregory.seitec@gmail.com.

Nell J. Welcomes a New Face

The Nell J. Redfield Memorial Hospital and the Oneida County Clinic are pleased to announce the addition of Mel Bingham, PA-C.

Mel grew up in Sandy, Utah with five other siblings. He feels he owes his love for practicing medicine to his sister who is confined to a wheel chair. With many visits with her to Primary Children's Hospital, he grew to love medicine and always dreamed of working in the field.



Mel has had 7 plus years of family practice work in Klawock, Alaska. Prior to moving to Alaska, the Bingham family lived in Cache Valley, Utah. Mel loves living in a small town where he can get to know people on a more personal level. He has enjoyed experiencing amazing fishing and being in the wilds of Alaska. Mel is excited for the adventure of moving to Malad and working nearby the places where his parents grew up. Mel and his wife Ann are the parents of 5 children.

Vendor Spotlight: CMM Healthcare

Cam Marlowe, Owner and CEO of CMM Healthcare, has 18 years of experience working in the health care industry. Leadership roles in a rural hospital, Idaho's largest commercial health insurance company, and the largest health system in Idaho have given Mr. Marlowe the experience and the skill set to improve health care operations in multiple settings.

In 2014, Cam started CMM Healthcare. CMM's main goal is to improve rural hospital's (100 beds or less) profit margin by reducing non-labor expenses and increasing insurance and patient payments, while maintaining or improving patient care.

CMM Healthcare services include:

Vendor Negotiations/Contracting
Product Standardization
Charge Capture
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Payor Negotiations
Capital Equipment Sales/Leases
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GPO Tier Optimization
Private Pay Services



For more information or to learn more about how CMM Healthcare can assist your organization, please contact Cam Marlowe at: (208) 761-7444 cammarlowe@gmail.com

Calendar of Events

October 2014

Brake for Breakfast
October 1

IT Peer Network Meeting
October 3

Laboratory
Peer Network Conference Call
October 8

Lunchtime Education Series
"Key Provisions of the Accountable
Care Act"
October 16

Foundation/Marketing
Peer Network Meeting
October 17

Human Resources
Peer Network Meeting
October 24



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November 2014

Nursing/Acute Care
Peer Network Meeting
November 5

THC Board Member Retreat
November 13

"Meet the Residents" Program
November 13

Evidence-Based
Management Training
November 14

Lunchtime Education Series
"Issues and Trends in Health Care
Compliance"
November 20

“Meet the Residents”

November 13, 2014, Pocatello, ID

The Bureau of Rural Health and Primary Care, Idaho State University Family Medicine Residency Program, The Hospital Cooperative, and Portneuf Medical Center are happy to present the third annual “**Meet the Residents**” event in Southeast Idaho. This is a great opportunity for Idaho rural health organizations to meet Idaho Family Medicine Residents.

Registration is now Open!

Register at: <https://www.keysurvey.com/votingmodule/s180/f/585287/9120/>

For more information, contact:

The Bureau of Rural Health & Primary Care
Website: www.ruralhealth.dhw.idaho.gov
Email: Ruralhealth@dhw.idaho.gov

Where: Portneuf Medical Center in the
Pebble and Mink Creek Conference
Room

Date: Thursday, November 13, 2014

Time: 12:00 pm to 2:00pm



The Hospital Cooperative Continuing Education Series - 2014 Presented by The Health Care Administration Program Idaho State University

As part of THC's Lunchtime Education Series, the following list of programs are free, one-hour sessions for THC members using their video-conferencing equipment at their hospital. These start at 12:15 p.m. To RSVP, e-mail Kylee Hale at kylee@hospitalcooperative.org.

Contemporary Ethical and Legal Concerns

- Key Provisions of the Accountable Care Act (October 16)
- Issues and Trends in Health Care Compliance (November 20)
- The Fundamentals of Health Care Law and Ethics (December 18)

Telehealth Update

The Hospital Cooperative has been awarded its continuation grant for the upcoming grant year covering September 2014 through August 2015. During the year, THC is partnering with Teton Valley Health Care to offer tele-burn and tele-stroke services for its residents in conjunction with the University of Utah.

We have started utilizing a new mobile platform called Virtual Care Works (VCW) for mental health consultations. VCW is HIPAA-compliant and can be used with any laptop and webcam. This provides flexibility for the providers.

Cooperative Connections

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