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Rangely District Hospital Recognized for Meeting the Changing Health Care Needs of Rangely and the Surrounding Area

Denver, Colo – Rangely District Hospital serves northwest Colorado and strives for excellence by providing quality care to patients. A 25 bed critical access hospital and Level IV Trauma Center, Rangely District Hospital was founded in 1947.

Rangely District Hospital offers a variety of services including, emergency room, inpatient care, out-patient care, clinic, laboratory services, occupational health, respiratory therapy, physical therapy, radiological services, home health, pharmacy, long term care, procedure center, ambulance, and assisted living.

The town of Rangely was a 1940s boom town when oil demand skyrocketed at the dawn of World War II. Today, the oil field continues to produce about 20,000 barrels per day – about one third of Colorado's production - and provides jobs for approximately 300 individuals.

Rangely is a small rugged community perched along the banks of the White River in the high desert plateau region, the community prides itself on being a great place to live, work and play.

The Colorado Rural Health Center chose to feature Rangely District Hospital – not because of its beautiful locale – but because the hospital is engaged in a variety of programs.

As a member-based association, CRHC offers a variety of services, programs, and technical assistance to its members. Rangely District Hospital utilized many of these resources, including participation in the Improving Communications and Readmissions (iCARE) program, healthy clinic assessments, the small hospital improvement program grant, the CREATE program and numerous training and educational events.

Niki Hyde, CRHC's quality improvement specialist works closely with the Rangely Family Medicine Clinic on various quality improvement projects. "I am truly amazed by

the expertise and dedication of the clinic staff," says Hyde. "The staff wears many hats, but where this would lead to burnout for some – it appears to motivate and drive their staff to a whole new level of patient care."

For more information about CRHC's clinic programs and services please visit https://coruralhealth.org/services/clinics. To learn more about Rangely District Hospital, please visit http://www.rangelyhospital.com/getpage.php?name=index.

About The Colorado Rural Health Center

The Colorado Rural Health Center was established in 1991 as Colorado's State Office of Rural Health. As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation, CRHC serves dual roles as the State Office of Rural Health with the mission of assisting rural communities in addressing healthcare issues; and as the State Rural Health Association, advocating for policy change to ensure that rural Coloradans have access to comprehensive, affordable healthcare services of the highest quality. For more information visit www.coruralhealth.org, call 303-832-7493, or call toll free 800-851-6782 from rural Colorado.

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