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Longmont United Hospital opens Interventional Radiology Suite

(Longmont, CO) Longmont United Hospital announces the opening of a new Interventional Radiology Suite with service beginning March 16, 2009. The Interventional Radiology Suite is an important technology in diagnostic imaging because it provides minimally invasive procedures that diagnose and treat medical conditions. The suite is a warm, comfortable setting that has a Reading Room for the radiologist to educate the patient regarding the procedure and to interpret images. The Interventional Radiology Suite also has Pre- and Post-Procedure Rooms, Nursing Stations to support the patient, and a Technologist Control Room for additional monitoring of the patient.

“We expect the patients will have a tranquil experience from the minute they first meet the radiologist to their departure for home,” said Sherri Vasko-Steinbeck, Director of Diagnostic Imaging, Longmont United Hospital. “The design of the new suite will let some procedures to be completed in the exam room allowing patients to experience the efficiency of one appointment, – reducing anxiety for the patient.”

“The minimally invasive procedures offered will also reduce stress for patients, families and doctors. For we now offer this advanced technology close to home, close to their doctor,” added Ms. Vasko-Steinbeck.

About Interventional Radiology

Interventional Radiology is considered one of the most advanced technologies available because it can diagnose and treat medical procedures without surgery. It is a minimally invasive procedure guided by 3D images. It can provide safe alternatives to surgery for complex medical conditions.

Examples of the Interventional Radiology procedures or diagnosis available include:

- Chemoembolization - chemo treatment delivered directly to tumor
- Angioplasty – opening of narrow or blocked vessels
- Biopsy – taking a tissue sample
- Embolization – blocking abnormal blood vessels to stop internal bleeding

The interventional radiologist is a medical doctor specialized in radiology.

About Longmont United Hospital Diagnostic Imaging

Longmont United Hospital Imaging delivers the precise, high-quality images physicians demand and preventive diagnostic testing. Services offered include:

CT: Computed Tomography (16 slice and 64 slice)
Digital Mammography
Digital Radiography

Fluoroscopy
Interventional Radiology
MRI: Magnetic Resonance Imaging
PET/CT
Nuclear Medicine
Ultrasound Imaging
Women's Imaging
X-Ray

Located at Longmont United Hospital, 1950 Mountain View Avenue, Longmont. 303.651.5088

NOTE: Photo opportunities available the week of March 9 – 13. Please contact Karen Logan at 303.485.4298 to set up an appointment.

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