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SPACELABS HEALTHCARE

WHA Calendar	
WHA Golf Tournament Casper	9/7 2021
Annual Meeting & Convention Casper	9/8-9/9 2021

The Wyoming Hospital Association and WHA Resources is pleased to announce SpaceLabs Healthcare as a new Endorsed Vendor. SpaceLabs designs and manufactures patient monitoring equipment for every unit of the hospital as well as clinic settings. Their unique platform can unite multiple hospital's monitoring and data management systems in one centralized area for enhanced care collaboration, increased patient safety, and more economic use of resources. They provide patient monitoring solutions for every hospital care area, as well as diagnostic cardiology products, supplies and accessories.

Spacelabs has a comprehensive approach to managing product acquisition that includes a detailed clinical and technical needs evaluation process. This helps hospitals to clearly define their scope, stakeholder involvement and financial analysis (total cost of ownership) to best manage the buying process. Second only to the EMR, monitoring systems are the most complex and technologically integrated purchase you can make. Hospitals only purchase monitoring ecosystems approximately every 10-17 years and a lot of innovation occurs during those time periods. The Spacelabs team can help hospitals

design RFPs that result in true like-for-like comparisons which helps control total cost of ownership and ensure clinical, financial and technical needs are met. Some procurement leaders may be resistant to this type of support from a vendor, but I encourage you to sit down with them before you design your RFP and learn what kind of help they can provide – I think you'll be impressed.

We also chose Spacelabs as our partner because we were impressed with their SafeN-Sound software. It assists hospitals in providing value-based care by streamlining/automating workflows and improving data driven decision making. Features include comprehensive reporting tools, a robust communications platform, and an easy-to-use device management system and patient safety optimization tools. This software helps ensure telemetry is used appropriately and safely throughout the patient's stay.

They have case studies available that discuss the resultant efficiencies and cost savings tied to SafeN-Sound utilization.

Members that use SpaceLabs reported a high level of satisfaction with their equipment and the support they receive from SpaceLabs. SpaceLabs products are modern and met the evolving needs of hospitals. Implementation is noted as smooth with intuitive designs, excellent staff education, and responsive and competent support for the few issues that arose.

When your hospital is thinking about purchasing new monitoring equipment and services I encourage you to reach out to SpaceLabs and learn more about their products and support. If you have any questions about them, please reach out to Josh Hannes at josh@wyohospitals.com or 307-632-9344.



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CRH Heart Check Offers Cardiovascular Screening



Cody Regional Health (CRH) launched a new comprehensive all-inclusive cardiovascular screening clinic which started on March 15, 2021. The new program is called Heart Check and will be open on Monday and Wednesdays with 2 appointments available each day to begin with.

The purpose for starting the new Heart Check program is due to coronary artery disease being the leading cause of heart attacks. Their goal is to screen people early before a heart attack occurs. Their team will coach

people early in dietary, exercise and other healthy habits.

The new screening program is recommended for women 45 years or older and men 40 years or older or anyone with significant family cardiac disease history.

The screen will be a flat fee of \$200 and will include:

- Lab Tests (Fasting-total cholesterol, TC/HDL ratio & blood sugar)
- Calcium Score – through a CT scan (leading marker for heart disease)
- ABI's – ankle brachial index
- Weight/Height BMI
- Blood Pressure
- Vascular Screening – carotid and abdominal aortic ultrasounds

“Our cardiac nursing team will work directly with community members. They will help people navigate their next steps. Depending on test results patients will be able to see our interventional cardiologist that afternoon,” states Barb Mullaney, Cody Cardiology Center Director.

Any abnormal results provided will be the patient's responsibility to discuss with their primary care provider.

For more information about CRH's new Heart Check Program you can call (307)578-2884.



Member Spotlight

SMH Named to Top 100 Rural and Community Hospitals

Sheridan Memorial Hospital (SMH) has been recognized as one of the Top 100 Rural & Community Hospitals in the country for 2021 according to the Chartis Center for Rural Health for the sixth year in a row.

Over 800 hospitals were included in the study. The list is developed using the Hospital Strength INDEX, which assesses performance utilizing 37 independent indicators across eight pillars of performance including Inpatient Market Share, Outpatient Market Share, Quality, Outcomes, Patient Perspective, Cost, Charges and Finance.

According to the Chartis Group website, hospitals making the list serve as a benchmark for other rural facilities. The website states that “amidst uncertainty, transition and strain, these top performers are excelling in increasing patient satisfaction, securing better outcomes for patients, managing risk, achieving higher quality and operating at a lower cost than their peers.”

Mike McAfferty, SMH Chief Executive Officer had this to say about the honor, “Earning this designation for six years in a row really speaks to the commitment to our com-

munity of our medical staff and employees. These efforts are to help position our hospital for clinical and operational excellence and, ultimately, great value for our patients and our community.”

“We are proud to serve this community and these accolades are really about the quality work our physicians, health care providers and all employees are doing every day to provide excellent patient-centered care,” McCafferty added.



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SMH Earns Award

Reminder: ONC Information Sharing Requirements Take Effect Monday, April 5

New information sharing requirements for health information technology take effect April 5 under an interim final rule released last year by the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology.

The rule extended the Nov. 2,

2020, deadline to comply with the 21st Century Cures Act requirements due to the ongoing COVID-19 public health emergency.

The Department of Health and Human Services has not yet released an anticipated regulation to enforce the information sharing

provisions through “appropriate disincentives” for health care providers.

For FAQs and other resources on the information sharing requirements, part of a final rule issued last year, visit the ONC website at <https://www.healthit.gov/curesrule/>

ONC Requirements