

Delta County Memorial Hospital

Delta County Memorial Hospital has been serving generations of families in Delta County for the past 100 years with high quality medical care. For the past three years this 49-bed non-profit hospital has received high marks for patient safety by a national health care organization. Our employees, many of whom have worked for the hospital for 10, 20 or even 30 years, are committed to serving the patients and families of Delta, Cedaredge, Eckert, Austin, Hotchkiss, Paonia, Crawford, Somerset and surrounding communities in Delta County.

This non-profit hospital invested \$1.2 million in the summer of 2013 for a new wide-bore MRI in the Radiology Department. It continues to be the newest model MRI on the Western Slope which offers higher quality images and shorter scan times than other older MRIs. The Radiology Department also offers CT-Scan, PET-CT, X-ray, Bone Density, Ultrasound, Nuclear Medicine, Stereo Breast Biopsy, and Digital Mammography services.



The Emergency Department is a Trauma Level IV Center which is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, all year long. Hospital services continue to include: in-patient and out-patient same day surgery; endoscopy procedures, medical and intensive care,

clinical laboratory, physical and occupational therapy, cardiac and pulmonary rehabilitation; registered dietician/diabetes educator and Stork's Landing (Labor and Delivery).

The DCMH Obstetrics Department has been involved with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services "Baby Friendly" initiative for several years which promotes breast feeding, education and overall infant health. It is a part of a global "Baby Friendly" initiative through the World Health Organization and UNICEF since 1992. Stork's Landing is anticipating being officially designated as a "Baby Friendly" facility within the next one to two years. There are only three hospitals in Colorado who have achieved the "Baby Friendly" designation out of a total of 53 hospitals. The hospital OB department is now entering the dissemination phase with a community approach to be a resource to moms expecting a baby, after having a baby, and as the child grows. Several Registered Nurses from Stork's Landing are taking advanced



education to become Breast Feeding Counselors with funds provided by the Colorado Department of Health. They will then formulate a community-wide breast feeding support group and provide classes for expectant mother planning to breastfeed.

DCMH owns and operates several clinics with physicians, nurses and other professionals who are employed by the hospital: Delta Pediatrics, Premier Women's Healthcare of Delta, Internal Medicine Associates, Colorow Family Medical Care in Olathe, Grand Mesa Rheumatology, Grand Mesa Oncology & Infusion Center and Delta-Montrose Home Health Services. The DCMH Lab also offers local services in Hotchkiss and Paonia.

DCMH has a hospital board of directors who are elected and offer a stable and supportive role to hospital administration and employees. The administrative team includes: Jason Cleckler-CEO and Jody Roeber-Chief Clinical Officer, and Bev Carlson who has been Chief Financial Officer for over eight years.

Hospital Volunteers play a critical role in assisting nearly every department in the hospital, offering some 18,546 hours of volunteer help in 2013. Volunteer chaplains also offer spiritual support to hospital patients.

Partnering with Delta County Lion's Clubs, Delta County Memorial Hospital Early Blood Draw events and Health Fairs are a major outreach effort to offer low cost health screens to over 2200 people annually in Delta, Paonia and Cedaredge. In addition custom health fairs are offered to area employers including: Bowie and West Elk Mines, Delta Montrose Electric Association, Phillips Machine and SMC Electrical Products, Inc.

Delta County Memorial Hospital employees opened their

hearts and wallets this year by contributing 3,150 pounds, or nearly 1 3/4 tons of food, to food banks in Delta, Cedaredge and Hotchkiss. A competition between hospital departments brought enthusiasm and competitiveness into the mix. Toys for Tots also received three overflowing boxes full of new, unwrapped toys which filled up a pickup.

The DCMH Foundation had another successful winter fund raising event with their annual Gala, raising some \$28,000 to help fund local residents and students interested in healthcare careers and also to help the hospital with programs, services and equipment. Close to \$39,000 in scholarships went to local students in 2013.

The hospital and associated facilities remain dedicated to the mission of being the people's first choice for accessible high quality care, and to enhance the well being of all we serve, according to Jason Cleckler, CEO.



Jason Cleckler, CEO



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