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## COMMUNITY CANCER CENTER PLACES HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PATIENTS AS HIGHEST PRIORITY

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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The Community Cancer Center (CCC) in Roseburg Oregon is taking action to help protect their patients from the COVID-19 virus recently labeled by the World Health Organization as a pandemic virus. Tammy Turner, Executive Director of the CCC states, "Cancer patients are at a higher risk of contracting viruses due to their compromised immune systems when battling cancer. To better protect our patients, their families and the community at large, we are implementing the following preventive actions as prescribed by the CDC":

- Temporary cancellations of all group meetings, classes, workshops and events to limit the exposure of close proximity encounters. Check our website, CCCRoseburg.Org, for event information or call community outreach at 541-672-0072.
- Extra cleaning: all surfaces in the building that have potential contact are routinely cleaned throughout the day.
- Hand sanitizers can be found throughout the building. It is recommended to use hand sanitizers when entering and leaving the building.
- CCC Patients or visitors with a 100.4F temp and are experiencing respiratory symptoms such as a cough, shortness of breath, wheezing and have an appointment at CCC, please call us immediately so we may help you assess the situation and advise you properly.
- Please bring only essential healthy personnel for your appointment.
- Ask for a mask while visiting CCC if you are not feeling well.

Randy Moore, D.O. Medical Director for the CCC says, "As of this date, there have not been any patients within the CCC that have had COVID-19 exposure. The health and safety of our patients in treatment are our highest priority. We are requesting that companions attending treatment sessions with patients be limited to two healthy individuals. Additionally, we ask that patients notify us by phone if they have any concerning cough and fever. Completing the prescribed cancer treatment is very important and can be a larger risk to the overall health of the patient then the COVID-19 risk of exposure."

Things everyone should do to limit exposure to the COVID-19 virus:

- 1. Avoid personal contact when in public places.
- 2. Stay home if you are feeling sick.
- 3. Frequently wash your hands with soap and water or use alcohol based hand sanitizers
- 4. Avoid rubbing your eyes, nose or mouth.
- 5. Cover your cough and sneezes using your sleeve or a tissue. Throw the tissue in the trash after each use.
- 6. Clean and disinfect objects and surfaces that are frequently touched.
- 7. Stay current on your vaccinations, including flu vaccine.
- 8. Go to your local resources for risks in your area. If you live in Douglas County check their website at www.co.douglas.or.us.

## **About CCC**

The Community Cancer Center is a non-profit, 501c3, incorporated in 1979. The corporation is named Community Cancer Foundation doing business as the Community Cancer Center (CCC) and is located at 2880 NW Stewart Parkway Roseburg, Oregon. www.CCCRoseburg.org

The foundation is organized exclusively for charitable, educational and scientific purposes. Our mission is to assist, encourage, promote and advance the best care, treatments and rehabilitation of persons afflicted with cancer or related medical conditions.