



MEDIA ADVISORY – FOR PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY

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Yakima Valley Memorial Hospital and Memorial Family of Services to join Healthier Hospitals Initiative and sign Healthy Food in Health Care Pledge

YAKIMA – Yakima Valley Memorial Hospital and Memorial Family will sign the Healthy Food in Health Care Pledge on Jan. 13 – the first hospital in Central Washington to sign the pledge – kicking off participation in the Healthier Hospitals Initiative. This national campaign focuses on sustainability in health care to improve the health of communities, reduce environmental impact and reduce overall health care costs through better public health.

WHAT: Memorial representatives sign the Healthy Food in Health Care Pledge. Discussion and a look at some of the changes that patients, visitors and staff will see in the Memorial Café, along with healthier food offerings in vending machines.

WHEN: 2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13, 2015

- **Interested media must check in at the security desk next to the Memorial Gift Shop by 1:55 p.m.**

WHERE: Memorial Café
Yakima Valley Memorial Hospital
2811 Tieton Drive, Yakima

WHO: Memorial CEO Russ Myers, Memorial representatives who will provide details about changes in the Memorial Café, on patient floors and at Memorial Family of Services clinics

RSVP: **Please contact Shannon Dininny, Memorial Communications, at ShannonDininny@yvmh.org if you plan to attend.**

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