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## National Hospital Week Puts Spotlight on People at Mountain Lakes Medical Center

**Clayton, Georgia** – Mountain Lakes Medical Center will celebrate National Hospital Week on May 10-16, and we invite the local community to join us in observing this special week. A hospital is more than a place where people go to heal, it is a part of the community that fosters health and represents hope. From providing treatment and comfort to the sick, to offering critical laboratory testing, to providing convenient outpatient services and life-saving emergency care for the public, our hospital is essential to a healthy and optimistic community.

At Mountain Lakes Medical Center, our dedicated team of physicians, nurses, support staff, volunteers and board members are passionate about serving our community. We take our job of caring for the community very seriously. Our role is to help people live healthier, happier lives. And with healthcare reform, that role is becoming even more important. We renew our commitment to deliver excellence in patient care each day. That's our theme for the 2015 Hospital Week celebration - "Our Community, Our Hospital!"

Joseph Forese, Chief Executive Officer of Mountain Lakes Medical Center, announced the event theme this week. He called attention to the numerous activities planned for the employees the week of May 10-16 to commemorate National Hospital Week. Forese said, "We are extremely proud of our people and we recognize the important role they play in their patients' lives and their recovery. The employees working at our hospital share our daily commitment to 'Our Community, Our Hospital.' Every member of our team strives to provide an excellent patient experience. National Hospital Week, first and foremost, is a celebration of people...hard working people that make up our vital team."

"During National Hospital Week, we would like to take a moment to recognize all of the healthcare professionals and volunteers at Mountain Lakes Medical Center for their daily commitment," Forese remarked. He also commented "It is you, our friends, our neighbors, and our patients that motivate us in keeping our community healthy and we appreciate you supporting our healthcare system. We hope you will join us in observing this special week."



**About NATIONAL HOSPITAL WEEK:**

National Hospital Week is May 10-16, 2015, and the official theme for Mountain Lakes Medical Center is "Our Community, Our Hospital." During the nation's largest healthcare event, citizens across the country are urged to express their appreciation for the people, facilities and technologies that make trustworthy, reliable health care possible in our community. We invite the residents of Clayton and the surrounding area to join us in observing this special week.

For more information, call 706.782.3100 or visit [MountainLakesMedicalCenter.com](http://MountainLakesMedicalCenter.com)

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