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Tri Valley Health System Receives Trauma Re-designation

(July 12, 2018 – Cambridge, NE) After a recent on-site review by the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, EMS/Trauma Program, Tri Valley Health System was awarded a trauma re-designation in the statewide trauma system. Re-designation reviews are every four years.

The review was conducted by Dr. Rommie Hughes, MD, Regional West Physicians Clinic in Scottsbluff, Nebraska, and included:

- In-person interviews with Dr. Lennie Deaver, MD, and Jamie Shifflet, RN, Clinical Nurse Manager
- Interviews with the radiology and laboratory staff
- Thorough review of equipment and walk-through of emergency rooms
- Review of trauma certificates and continuing education hours completed by nurses
- Process Improvement plan review
- Review of educational activities and outreach programs
- 10 random trauma charts were reviewed for accuracy and protocol
- Examination of the relationship with EMS providers and how Tri Valley Health System supports them

The final report found zero deficiencies.

“We were commended for our program, most specifically Dr. Deaver’s support of the trauma system and the 30+ years he has committed to our community,” said Jamie Shifflet, RN, Clinical Nurse Manager. “Our administration was also praised for supporting our decision to voluntarily apply for trauma re-designation, and our nursing staff for holding themselves to a higher standard of providing better care.”

Examples of community injury prevention outreach include: FROG Program (Fitness Reaching Older Generations), ATV Aware with UNL Extension, National Poison Prevention Week, Rural Trauma Team Development Course, Injury Prevention and Treatment for Runners lunch and learn, stroke awareness flyer, and more.

Tri Valley Health System requires all Registered Nurses to be certified in the Trauma Nursing Core Course (TNCC). Participation in the statewide trauma system is solely on a volunteer basis, and is supported by the medical staff, Board of Directors and administration. During Fiscal Year 2017, Tri Valley Health System recorded 255 trauma visits.

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