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North Metro Fire and St. Joseph's Team Up Against Breast Cancer

Mobile mammography van coming to Northglenn to kick off Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Northglenn, CO—North Metro Fire Rescue District is teaming up with St. Joseph Hospital to raise awareness about breast cancer risks and to offer free breast screening exams in Northglenn on Tuesday, Sept. 29.

Women, ages 40 and older, are invited to visit North Metro Fire's Station 62 at 10550 Huron St. in Northglenn to receive a mammogram through St. Joseph's mobile mammography van. The van will be on site at the fire station from 8:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. Exams take less than 20 minutes and are conducted by St. Joseph's trained specialists and breast radiologists. The mammography van includes some of the latest technology in imaging, including 3D digital mammography and breast density measurement, which make getting a mammogram easier while producing more accurate diagnostic results.

"Prevention and early detection are a woman's best chance against cancer. Our goal for this community event is to help detect potential cancer risks through the screening and to provide important health education to residents," explained Pam Kutchen, Life Safety Education Officer for North Metro Fire.

In order to receive a mammogram, women should contact St. Joseph's Jackie Stansfield at (303) 318-3419 to schedule an appointment and review a list of qualifications. Most insurance is accepted and billed if the patient has insurance, with the exception of Kaiser Permanente. Those members may get a mammogram at the Kaiser Permanente Breast Center.

According to the National Cancer Institute, breast cancer is the most common non-skin cancer in the United States and the second leading cause of cancer-related death in women.

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North Metro Fire Rescue District

North Metro Fire Rescue District is dedicated to providing quality service to its residents through fire protection, emergency medical services, hazardous materials response and specialized rescue. Formed in 1946, the district now covers 63 square miles with a population of approximately 111,000 people including the City and County of Broomfield, the City of Northglenn and unincorporated areas of Boulder, Adams, Weld and Jefferson Counties.

