



# Haywood Regional Medical Center

## **Haywood Regional Medical Center Talking Points Update 02-29-08**

*The Hospital Board and administration continue their aggressive strategies to restore certification for Medicare/Medicaid coverage. Following are today's updates:*

- **"Our patients come first.** We are committed to providing continued health care services and to doing everything possible for expedient reinstatement of Medicare/Medicaid coverage. **I firmly believe that at the end of this trial, our community will have a hospital that is exemplary of quality service and safety.** That should be a vision shared by every employee of this hospital. One which will keep us focused, energized and ultimately successful." said Alton Byers to community citizens, staff and physicians who attended the hospital board meeting last night.
- HRMC is arranging the following meetings for **Monday March 3, 2008**. The agenda will include **updated HRMC information and a brief presentation by the Compass Group**, a highly qualified consulting group engaged to assist HRMC in its recertification process:
  - 9:00 a.m. Haywood County Board of Commissioners Meeting (Justice Center)**
  - 11:00 a.m. HRMC Directors & Managers meeting HRMC Cafeteria**
  - 3:00 p.m. Public Meeting HRMC Fitness Center**
  - 6:00 p.m. HRMC Medical Staff Meeting**
- Arrangements have been made with the radiologists for **outpatient imaging services to continue.**
- HRMC will **continue insurance coverage for HRMC employees as usual.**
- **HRMC is JCAHO accredited.**
- **HRMC Physicians are receiving patients as usual in their practices.**
- Contact information for the Purple Ribbon Initiative in **support of HRMC's nurses:**  
452-8080
- Hotlines and Website information: [www.haymed.org](http://www.haymed.org) Email: [rtindall@haymed.org](mailto:rtindall@haymed.org)  
Phone 828...454-9339; 734-9642; 454-9340; 456-8984; 452-9558; 452-5493
- Previous information is posted on [www.haymed.org](http://www.haymed.org).
- Today's information is fluid and is subject to change. Continued updates will be provided. You can expect an update over the weekend.
- HRMC continues to be extremely thankful for the positive community support. Your patience is greatly appreciated.