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Merrimack Valley Hospital Offers Free Seminar on Diabetic Foot Care

Merrimack Valley Hospital will hold a Meet the Expert seminar on diabetic foot care on Wednesday, April 20, 6-7 pm in the hospital's first floor auditorium.

The presentation titled *Diabetes and Its Impact On Our Feet*, will be given by Podiatric Surgeon Debra Eisner, DPM. Dr. Eisner will talk about the medical impact of diabetes on the foot; common diabetic foot conditions and medical treatment; prevention of diabetic foot complications; and surgical treatment for diabetic foot conditions.

The seminar is free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served. Registration is required as seating is limited. One contact hour for nursing will be presented at the end of the presentation.

To register please call Jean MacDougall-Tattan at 978.420.1168 or e-mail jean.macdougall-tattan@merrimackvalleyhospital.com. Merrimack Valley Hospital is located at 140 Lincoln Ave. in Haverhill, MA.

About Merrimack Valley Hospital:

Merrimack Valley Hospital maintains 107 acute care beds and 17 adult behavioral medicine beds; all are private rooms. The hospital's clinical strengths include a 24-hour emergency department; orthopedic, endoscopic, general, vascular, thoracic, GYN and urologic surgery and outpatient pediatric surgery; wound care with hyperbaric therapy; adult behavioral medicine care with a focus on geriatric issues; a comprehensive Pain Management Center; a Sleep Study Lab; gastroenterology; otolaryngology and hospitalist services. MVH also provides a wide range of outpatient services, such as bone density testing; dysphasia testing; echocardiograms; electroencephalograms (EEG); electromyography (EMG); full-field digital mammography; magnetic resonance imaging (MRI); positron emission tomography (PET-Scan); pulmonary function testing (PFT); nuclear medicine; surgical day care; ultrasound (general & obstetrical), and physical therapy and x-rays, and 64-Slice CT scans.

The hospital's awards for excellence include the Excellence Through Insight Award, 2008 (HealthStream Research); Best in Value Hospitals, 2008 (Data Advantage); Top Ranked Community Value Provider Award, 2007 (Cleverley & Associates; National Quality Leader Award for Pneumonia Care, 2006 (CareScience Select Practice); High

Reliability Cardiac Care Award, 2006 (MassPRO); and An affiliate of Essent Healthcare, Inc., the hospital serves Merrimack Valley and southern New Hampshire. More information can be found at www.merrimackvalleyhospital.com. Merrimack Valley Hospital is a licensed and certified mammography facility.