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## **Merrimack Valley Hospital Announces New Bilingual General Surgeon**

Merrimack Valley Hospital is pleased to announce the arrival of Edwin Menor, MD, general surgeon. Dr. Menor, originally from South America, is bilingual in Spanish and English. He was medically and surgically trained in the United States.

Dr. Menor performs all general surgery procedures, and has a special interest in minimally invasive procedures. Minimally invasive procedures are done with smaller incisions, which generally means less pain and faster recovery times for patients.

"Dr. Edwin S. Menor will be a welcome addition to our medical staff, and he will be located in the medical office building on the hospital campus," said Merrimack Valley Hospital CEO Michael Collins.

Dr. Menor's focus is on patient education. He spends time informing patients about their conditions, explains surgical choices, and enlists their participation in pre- and post-surgical options for rapid recovery.

"I love my patients and treat them with respect and dignity. As a surgeon, my job is to prolong and improve their quality of life. Surgical care should be available worldwide to everyone in need," said Dr. Menor.

A compassionate surgeon, Dr. Menor goes on mission trips to do pro bono surgeries for indigent patients both in the United States and third-world countries. His most recent surgical mission trip was to his home country of Peru.

Dr. Menor earned his medical degree from Creighton University Medical School in Omaha, Nebraska. He completed his internship and surgical residency at Mt. Sinai Medical Center in New York in 2003, and then trained with one of the pioneers of advanced laparoscopic surgery, James "Butch" Rosser, Jr., M.D. from Yale University, at Beth Israel Medical Center in New York.

Dr. Menor is a member of the Society of American Endoscopic Gastrointestinal Surgeons, the National Hispanic Mentor Recruitment Network, and the Peruvian-American Medical Society.

Dr. Menor began his practice at Merrimack Valley Surgical Specialties on Aug. 1, 2010. For more information or to schedule an appointment, please call (978) 912-7450.

**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](http://www.merrimackvalleyhospital.com). Merrimack Valley Hospital is a licensed and certified mammography facility.*