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Catholic Health Services Offers Free Prostate Cancer Screenings

ROCKVILLE CENTRE — Catholic Health Services (CHS) is offering local residents free prostate cancer screenings throughout September, which is Prostate Cancer Awareness Month.

CHS recommends screenings for those who have not had a PSA test done within the past 6 months; individuals age 40 and over at high risk due to African American heredity, family history or personal history; and asymptomatic men age 50 and older.

The schedule of free screenings is below:

Saturday, September 19, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. St. Catherine of Siena Medical Office Building 48 Route 25A, Smithtown

Tuesday, September 22, 2:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Mercy Medical Center, Express Care Area 1000 N. Village Ave., Rockville Centre

Tuesday, September 22, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Good Samaritan Hospital Medical Center Radiation Oncology Department (entrance in rear of building) 1000 Montauk Highway, West Islip

Thursday, September 24, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. St. Charles Hospital at the office of Scott Press, MD 635 Belle Terre Road, Port Jefferson

Saturday, September 26, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. St. Joseph Hospital, Infusion Center 4295 Hempstead Turnpike, Bethpage

Figures from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) show that 13 out of 100 men will develop prostate cancer during their lifetime. African-American men are more likely to get prostate cancer and those with a family history (father, son or brother) of prostate cancer are at greater risk.

Appointments for a free screening may be scheduled by calling 1(855) CHS-4500. Information about CHS's full array of cancer treatment services may be obtained by visiting chsli.org/oncology.

About Catholic Health Services

CHS is an integrated system encompassing some of the region's finest health and human services agencies. With 18,000 employees, 6 acute care hospitals, 3 nursing homes, a home nursing service, hospice, a community-based agency for persons with special needs and a network of physician practices, CHS's high standards have resulted in a 24% market share.

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