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Pardee celebrates National Cancer Registrars Week

(Hendersonville, N.C.) Pardee will celebrate the 15th annual National Cancer Registrars Week April 11 – 15, 2011. Cancer registrars throughout the United States and abroad join their colleagues, community leaders and other medical professionals to observe this week each year.

Cancer registrars are data information specialists that collect and code patient-level data for cancer registries. They work in a variety of cancer treatment and research settings and manage a wide range of demographic and medical data on those with cancer. The registries provide essential information to healthcare providers and health officials to better monitor and improve cancer treatment, conduct research, and can help to target cancer prevention and screening programs.

The theme for this year's National Cancer Registrars Week is *Cancer Registrars Pave the Way to a Cure*, reflecting cancer registrars' role in compiling the critical information needed to support effective cancer treatment and research, with the ultimate goal of preventing cancer and finding a cure.

"Reporting cancer patients' information and telling their story is not only a cancer registrar's job, but it is our obligation to patients and to the war on cancer," says Carol



Burke, CTR, AABA, the Cancer Program Coordinator and Physician Continuing Medical Education (CME) Coordinator for Pardee Hospital.

As a nationally recognized cancer treatment and research facility, the Comprehensive Cancer Center at Pardee is dedicated to using the latest technology and innovative therapies. The Cancer Center hosts community education programs and support groups, and provides cancer screenings and holistic support and care for patients dealing with cancer and their families.

To learn more about cancer registrars and National Cancer Registrars Week, visit ncra-usa.org.

[Pardee Hospital](#) is a not-for-profit community hospital founded in 1953. The main hospital is licensed for 222 acute care beds and is the second largest employer in [Henderson County](#). The hospital has several locations separate from the main campus, including an adult day services center, a health education center in the Blue Ridge Mall, home care services, a rehab and wellness center, a midwifery program, various family and internal medicine practices, and an urgent care facility. For more information or to find a physician, call 1-866-790-WELL (9355) or visit www.pardeehospital.org.

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