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**Henderson County Community Hospital Activates Mass Casualty System
Following Large Accident, Saving Numerous Lives**

Lexington, Tenn. - Henderson County Community Hospital (HCCH) activated its Mass Casualty System yesterday evening in response to a significant and tragic accident in the area. Henderson County EMS, HCCH employees, and surge staff swiftly and heroically responded to manage the large influx of patients affected by this tragic event.

Under the leadership of Dr. Kaushal Patel, MD, Medical Director of Emergency Medicine, Kara Courtright, Chief Nursing Officer, and Glynn Mooney, Director of Emergency Medical Services the hospital showcased its dedication to community safety, commitment to care, and unparalleled teamwork. The coordinated efforts of this highly proficient team, coupled with the relentless dedication of all medical and support staff on the scene, were instrumental in preventing further tragedies. Off duty EMS staff responded to the scene and hospital to assist. A cadre of nurses responded to the hospital, immediately going to work with significant assistance from heroes at the Lexington Police Department, Tennessee Highway Patrol, Hospital Wing, and AirEvac LifeTeam and the Lexington Fire Department. In this immensely challenging situation, the valor and prompt action of the entire team at HCCH undoubtedly saved numerous lives. Crisis counselors will be made available to our heroes in the coming hours.

"It's in moments like these that we truly see the resilience and strength of our healthcare community. Our team's valiant efforts were nothing short of heroic," says Beau R. Braden, DO MPH MS, CEO of BradenHealth. "It is an honor to be associated with such a caring and dedicated team at Lexington. Their swift and determined response has undoubtedly made a difference in the lives of many." Kyle Kopec, CCO & VP of Government Affairs added, "The commitment to saving lives demonstrated by HCCH is an inspiration. They've routinely gone above and beyond in ensuring the safety and well-being of the patients in our community. To have the privilege to work alongside them every day is truly a humbling experience."

The community is also reminded of the significance of Henderson County Community Hospital, as it was facing imminent closure on April 1st, 2020. With BradenHealth's guidance facility staff led the charge to implement management changes to save this hospital and EMS service from failure. Without the presence of this facility, many affected by this tragic accident would not have survived. The hospital extends its heartfelt gratitude to everyone involved in this massive response effort and our sincerest and heartfelt condolences to those permanently impacted by this horrific tragedy.

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