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## ANTELOPE VALLEY HOSPITAL CELEBRATES NATIONAL DOCTORS' DAY March 30, 2010

**(LANCASTER, CA – March 30, 2010)** — From delivering babies to treating heart disease, the talented doctors at Antelope Valley Hospital (AVH) dedicate themselves to preserving our health and life every day. While we can never repay them, AVH and the Board of Directors offer their sincere thanks by celebrating our 450 physicians on National Doctors' Day, Tuesday, March 30, 2010.

"Each physician that chooses to practice at Antelope Valley Hospital is an asset to the hospital as well as the local community," says Edward Mirzabegian, Antelope Valley Hospital Chief Executive Officer. "We recognize and appreciate the sacrifices made by the doctors on staff to provide healthcare to Antelope Valley residents."

As a patient, one of the best ways to show your appreciation to your doctor is to simply say, "Thank you." AVH is always open seven days a week, so doctors are on staff or on call every minute of every day. This is a great time to thank them for dedicating their lives to helping others.

"Every patient deserves the best care possible," says Doddanna Krishna, M.D., FACP, FCCP, President of Medical Staff at AVH. "Antelope Valley Hospital has some of the best and brightest physicians on staff that provide state-of-the-art medical care for our patients in the local community."

Doctors' Day was first observed in 1933 and continues to be a day set aside to thank doctors all over the world who have spent years studying their specialty and who



(left to right) Edward Mirzabegian poses with Dr. Prithviraj Dharmaraja and Dr. Doddanna Krishna at the Doctors' Day luncheon.

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work long, unpredictable hours. President George Bush issued a proclamation in observance of National Doctors' Day in 1991.

For more information about Antelope Valley Hospital, visit our website at

[www.avhospital.org](http://www.avhospital.org)

**About Antelope Valley Hospital**

Celebrating more than 50 years of caring for the community, Antelope Valley Hospital, a facility of Antelope Valley Healthcare District, is a non-profit, 420-bed hospital that was founded in 1955. The hospital is dedicated to providing quality care and services to everyone in the Antelope Valley. AV Hospital is located at 1600 West Avenue J in Lancaster, California. For further information, please visit [www.avhospital.org](http://www.avhospital.org) or call 661-949-5000.

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