

## MEDIA ADVISORY

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## **Rosebud Hospital Diverts Emergency Room Services**

WHAT: The Rosebud Hospital Emergency Room is on divert status due to staffing changes and limited resources. If individuals are having a medical emergency, they should call 911 for possible ambulance dispatch or go to the nearest 24 hour Emergency Room, located in Winner, South Dakota, and Valentine, Nebraska.

Rosebud Hospital remains open to provide outpatient services. The hospital will also offer 24 hour Urgent Care Services, seven days a week. Patients will continue to be seen for inpatient care, OB surgery and all other current hospital services.

Providing access to quality medical care is a top priority for IHS, and Great Plains Area Indian Health Service continues to work on long and short-term solutions to resume emergency room services at Rosebud Hospital.

- WHO: Indian Health Service
- WHEN: 6:00 p.m., December 5, 2015
- WHERE: Rosebud Hospital PO Box 400 Rosebud, SD 57570
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