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**Local ophthalmologist to discuss cataracts**

*(Hendersonville, NC)* Katherine Volatile, M.D., an ophthalmologist with Looking Glass Eye Center, will discuss the causes, anatomy and current treatment for cataracts in a free presentation at the Pardee Health Education Center on Tue., Nov. 17, from 12:15 until 1:30 p.m.

A cataract is a clouding of the normally clear lens of the eye. Clouded vision can make it more difficult to see especially at night. Cataracts commonly affect distance vision and cause problems with glare. Fortunately, cataract removal is generally a safe, effective procedure.

Dr. Volatile will offer time for questions after the presentation. Registration for this free presentation is required by calling 1-866-790-WELL (9355).

The Pardee Health Education Center is a unique community outreach program of the hospital that provides an array of services from health fairs and screenings to seminars and support groups. Last year, the center provided more than 10,000 free and low-cost screenings to community members.

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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