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## <u>NEWS RELEASE - FREE PROSTATE SCREENING OFFERED AT JOINT TOWNSHIP</u> <u>DISTRICT MEMORIAL HOSPITAL</u>

Prostate Cancer is one of the leading killers of men and each year more than 150,000 men find out they have prostate cancer. Cancer of the prostate can go undetected for years because there may be no symptoms. The only way to detect prostate cancer in its earliest and most curable stage is by getting a prostate cancer screening which consists of a Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA) blood test, and a Digital Rectal Exam (DRE). These two tests have helped millions of men identify prostate cancer already and millions more need to become aware of the risks and treatment options. For these reasons, men are urged to call for free or low-cost screenings during the 14th annual Prostate Cancer Awareness Week, September 19<sup>th</sup> to the 25<sup>th</sup>.

Joint Township District Memorial Hospital will be offering FREE screenings on Tuesday, September 20 and Wednesday, September 21 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. For an appointment, please call Anne Larger at 419-394-3387, ext. 1128.

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