



Columbia REA

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From: Columbia County Health System (CCHS) and
Columbia Rural Electric Association (CREA)

Columbia County Health System and Columbia Rural Electric Association are pleased to announce that the final piece of funding has been secured for the remodel and expansion of the Dayton Hospital Emergency Room.

Les Teel, CEO of Columbia REA stated “ The \$150,000 of funding that CREA was able to secure for this project is very important to helping sustain the future of the Dayton Hospital. Emergency Room services in Columbia County are very important to the community, and provide a great life saving benefit to our residents. As a member owned, local electric cooperative, Columbia REA is committed to the communities we serve, and helping to secure this funding is another example of that commitment.”

Charlie Button, CEO of the Columbia County Health System said “We are grateful to REA for their support in our Emergency Room expansion. We would not be able to complete the project without their help. The expansion will provide a much better experience for the patients and families of our community. We are appreciative of REA’s commitment to help provide optimal health to our community”.

The Dayton hospital is an important part of the Dayton and Columbia County community, providing 24 hour a day emergency care. The Dayton emergency room is a level V Trauma facility and the staff is trained to treat emergencies on site as well as stabilizing and transferring patients needing a higher level of care.

Working together Columbia REA and the Columbia County Health System have continued the tradition of providing exceptional health care options for the Greater Columbia County region.

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