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David Price receives the prestigious Trustee of the Year award for Small Hospitals, from Modern Healthcare Magazine.

Grand Junction, Colo. -- Modern Healthcare Magazine released yesterday, in their February 13, 2012 issue, the annual Trustee of the Year awards. One of the recipients of this prestigious award is David Price, a member of the Community Hospital Board of Trustees (his term will expire later this month). Mr. Price, an attorney with the Grand Junction law firm Hoskin, Farina & Kampf, PC, has served as chairman of the Community Hospital governing board since 2007.

David was appointed to the Community Hospital Board of Trustees in January 2006 and devoted countless volunteer hours to further the hospital's mission. He provided the essential leadership needed to take the hospital, which at the time was in an unstable position, to a thriving organization now poised to build a new medical campus that will bring the next generation of integrated healthcare delivery to our community. This campus will include a new Community Hospital.

"I am accepting this award as a proxy for all of my colleagues on the Board. They have all worked so hard to support and lead Community Hospital and they certainly deserve to share in this recognition," stated David Price. "In fact, the entire Community Hospital organization - board members, physicians and staff - have really pulled together as a team, dedicated to making Community Hospital the health care leader in a community already known for its excellence and innovation in that field."

"We are now starting to see real progress from all our combined efforts. Community Hospital recently reached an agreement with Colorado Mesa University to sell the present campus accelerating the move to our new medical campus, received the HealthGrades General Surgery Excellence award 2012 and are the local leader in patient satisfaction according to the Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (HCAHPS) survey" continued Price.

"Working with David has been an extreme pleasure," stated Chris Thomas, Community Hospital president and CEO, "he is very inclusive. I watch him at board meetings pulling in the members who are new members or trying to balance the outspoken members to make sure everybody has a chance to give input. He orchestrates, but he is not domineering. This is a much deserved and fitting award."

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