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Snoqualmie Valley Hospital Management and Staff Trained for Active Shooter Incidents

We are saddened by the loss of life at Mercy Hospital in Chicago.

At Snoqualmie Valley Hospital, Management and Staff have received instruction on how to respond to an active shooter incident. On September 27th Corporal Nigel Draveling of the Snoqualmie Police Department provided training to the Operations Management Team of the Hospital. Through his training Managers learned how to use the "Run, Hide, Fight" strategy to protect themselves and best assure that they are capable and available to treat victims.

Additionally, Scott Nohavec, the Hospital's Director of Facilities and Security, provided Staff with Run, Hide, Fight instructions via an all-staff communication and training video created by the Marion County, IN Department of Health, based on guidelines from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Mr. Nohavec let staff know "We all need to be aware of the proper actions during a critical event like an active shooter in the hospital. Preparing yourself by understanding why you act in a certain way during an event like this helps you respond correctly if we should face such a thing. I am sorry for the need for such training but awareness is our best way to protect ourselves and our patients."

Tom Parker, CEO of Snoqualmie Valley Hospital, said, "Our commitment is to protect the lives of our patients, employees and those who live and visit in the communities we serve. Active shooter training is part of the overall training and preparation we do for incidents and natural disasters."

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