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MERCY, UC DAVIS CELEBRATE PROGRESS OF ROCKLIN OUTPATIENT FACILITY (*COURTESY OF THE INSIDER, UC DAVIS 2008*)

Officials and leaders from Placer County communities, Catholic Healthcare West and UC Davis Health System marked the halfway point of the construction of the Placer Center for Health during a ceremony Tuesday morning.

Located in Rocklin, the Placer Center for Health will be operated by Catholic Healthcare West, which locally operates Mercy hospitals, and UC Davis Health System, which has 17 medical group offices in communities throughout the region. The new facility will offer primary and specialty-care services to residents in the rapidly growing communities of Lincoln, Rocklin and Roseville.

“Our goal is to meet the health-care needs of South Placer residents by providing care that is both comprehensive and convenient,” said Ann Madden Rice, chief executive officer of UC Davis Medical Center.

At the ceremony, Rocklin City Councilmen Peter Hill and Scott Yuill, along with other dignitaries and leaders from Catholic Healthcare West and UC Davis signed their names on a section of a wall to be installed in the new building.

Catholic Healthcare West and UC Davis will share the lease on the three-story complex. Physicians’ offices will be located on the top two floors of the building, with Mercy physicians occupying 22,000 square feet on the top floor and UC Davis physicians occupying 22,000 square feet on the second floor. On the first floor, UC Davis will offer outpatient pharmacy, clinical laboratory and an array of diagnostic imaging services that eventually will include CT, MRI, ultrasound, general X-ray and mammography equipment.

For the complete story, go to The Insider at <http://intranet.ucdmc.ucdavis.edu/ucdhs/index.shtml>.