

Regional Health Services: Healthcare Services Close To Home Craig Morrison

Craig Morrison is an active member of the Cresco Fitness Center with regular attendance at water aerobics classes. That is how he knew the pain he felt in his chest was unusual. His first instinct was denial. Thankfully, his second instinct was to deal with reality and see his local healthcare provider.

After testing concluded that further treatment was necessary, Dr. Tanya Vreeke referred Craig to Mayo, where he underwent triple bypass surgery. Craig was appreciative that Dr. Vreeke confirmed the tests he had done in Cresco did not have to be duplicated once he got to Mayo.



Carolyn Noe, Social Worker, and Craig Morrison

Following surgery, Craig was grateful that he could receive skilled nursing care so close to his home.

Craig stated, "A person does not comprehend what services you will actually need until you are in need of them". Craig noted that the transition from surgery in Rochester to Skilled Care in Cresco was very easy, which is so important for the patient and their family. All of the necessary arrangements were made between the two facilities. The fact that he could receive the care he needed at RSHSC rather than his wife Flossie trying to care for him at home was important to Craig. He did not want Flossie to be burdened with the extra care he would need immediately following surgery. "Friends and family can come visit me, which is also a part of the support and recovery process, rather than have to physically take care of me".

Craig has always been a supporter of the Cresco community with his recent stay at RSHSC only affirming the fact that Cresco has a lot of wonderful things to offer its residents. Craig stated, "I appreciate the holistic approach to my healthcare from RSHSC. I received my initial care here, had my heart surgery in Rochester, and returned to RSHSC for my recovery and rehabilitation."

Craig is now on to the next phase of his recovery, which is Cardiac Rehab at RSHSC, all the while planning for his return to the Cresco Fitness Center.

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