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## **Chester County's Health Care Career Awareness Day scheduled for November 14, 2008, in Coatesville**

*Event will promote health care career opportunities in the county*

**EXTON** \_ The Chester County's Health Care Career Awareness Day will be held on Friday, November 14, 2008, from 8:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. at the CAT-Brandywine campus in Coatesville.

The annual event promotes health care career opportunities in Chester County. The agenda for the day includes small group career presentations, a career fair, demonstrations in the Simulation Lab and an appearance by Sky FlightCare. All students and interested community members are encouraged to attend.

Due to the increased demands for qualified workers in the health care field, the week of November 10-14, 2008, has been designated as Health Careers Week in Pennsylvania.

Throughout the day health care professionals will be available to discuss career opportunities within their organizations. Presentations will be made by healthcare professionals on high demand occupations within the health care industry in Chester County. Those professions include nursing, radiology, direct care, respiratory therapy, surgical technology, nutrition, physical therapist/occupational therapist, and behavioral health.

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Event partners and sponsors include the Chester County Workforce Investment Board, Chester County Health Care Partnership, Chester County Economic Development Council, Chester County Intermediate Unit, and PACareerLink-Chester County.

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