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BCCH responds to truck and train collision

FALLON, NV (June 24, 2011) Banner Churchill Community Hospital paramedics, along with other emergency responders in the Churchill County and outlying areas, responded to a tragic accident between a semi truck and an Amtrak passenger train this morning.

BCCH immediately prepared for the worst and called in all Banner Churchill healthcare providers who were available, ranging from physicians to nurses to radiology techs, to be on site should we need them. There were over ten patients brought in via ambulance and helicopter to Banner Churchill's Emergency Department, while approximately 75 passengers were transported by school bus to the hospital with reports of minor injuries. Most patients have been treated and released.

Additionally, Banner Churchill set up teams to work with patients to help reunite them with their families, provide food and water, and anything else we could help them with. "I am very proud of my co-workers today" says Walt Beck, CEO at Banner Churchill Community Hospital, "the level of compassion and courtesy they exhibited to all of the passengers was phenomenal"

If you have a family member that you are trying to reach, please call Amtrak at 800-523-9101.