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San Diego Children's Discovery Museum Announces New "Healthcare Heroes" Exhibit

Escondido, CA – San Diego Children's Discovery Museum is excited to announce *Healthcare Heroes*, a new interactive and educational exhibit for young children and their caregivers!

Healthcare Heroes, opening February 1, 2022, will be located in the Museum's *Our Town: Careers and Community* exhibit space. The exhibit features an experience that celebrates Palomar Health's incredible healthcare workers and their relentless efforts to keep us all safe throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

The new exhibit will provide experiences that demystify and calm fears around healthcare for children and introduce them to different medical professions ranging from a nurse, doctor, and administrator. Young guests will put on white coats and become the doctor as they take new friends through the hospital journey starting with an ambulance ride to an exam room, a choice of specialist rooms, and a discharge station. Along the way children will be introduced to a wide range of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) concepts by completing tasks appropriate to the injury chosen at the beginning of their hospital journey.

"We wanted to create an exhibit in partnership with Palomar Health that would both be fun and educational for families. Through STEM fluencies, such as spatial reasoning and symbolic language, children will walk away with real life skills and feel empowered to make important decisions about their body during their next visit to the doctor," said Krishna Kabra, CEO of San Diego Children's Discovery Museum.

Children, as well as parents, will gain a better understanding of the importance of a healthy lifestyle through interactive displays with real medical tools, weekly onsite educational programming, online videos, special speaker events, and more. This exhibit will be in place at the Museum through November 2022 and will then find permanent residence in the pediatric ward of Palomar Health's new hospital.

Healthcare Heroes is included with Museum admission and sponsored by Palomar Health.

For more information visit, SDCDM.org/HealthcareHeroes

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About San Diego Children's Discovery Museum

San Diego Children's Discovery Museum's mission is to inspire children to learn about our world through exploration, imagination, and experimentation. Its vision is to be a model community children's museum providing access to authentic hands-on learning experiences to develop the whole child, lifelong learners, and global citizens. The Museum's hands-on educational exhibits and programs focus on science, art, and world cultures for children up to age 10. The Museum is affiliated with the Association of Children's Museums and the San Diego Museum Council.

To learn more about the Museum's offerings visit, sdcdm.org