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## Press Release

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### **Scarsdale Medical Group Hosts Community Blood Drive**

**Harrison, NY** – Scarsdale Medical Group, a multi-specialty practice serving Westchester and Fairfield Counties and the surrounding Hudson Valley area, in partnership with New York Blood Center, will host a blood drive on Friday, June 23, 2017 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at 600 Mamaroneck Avenue (back parking lot) in Harrison.

With the warmer weather approaching and students on summer recess, the New York Area will soon experience its annual lull in seasonal blood drives and donations. The NYBC is calling on their donors to give blood to help prevent the area from experiencing a blood supply shortage. The need for blood increases during the summer.

“Scarsdale Medical Group is happy to support such a wonderful initiative,” says managing partner Dr. Kenneth Croen. “There is a constant need for blood on a local level to help ensure patients have access to an ample supply of lifesaving blood transfusions.”

Those interested in donating blood must meet certain eligibility requirements including being between the ages of 17 (16 years old with written consent from parent or legal guardian) and 75, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in general good health and feeling well on the day of the donation. Donors age 76 and older can continue to donate blood if they meet all donor criteria and present a physician’s letter allowing them to donate. If you are unsure if you are eligible to donate, please call the Medical Eligibility number at 1-800-688-0900. Those with tattoos must wait 12 months to donate. Those with recent ears, nose and skin piercings must wait 12 months unless done under sterile conditions. Donors should bring their NYBC donor card or a photo ID with signature and birthdate.

For a better donation experience, get a good night's sleep, eat a balanced breakfast the morning of your donation and continue to hydrate prior to your donation.

To learn more information or to make an appointment please call (914) 723-8100 x116. Walk-ins are also welcome.

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