



Cost Conscious Closet!

Helps community members save pennies and heal faster



Roxanne Holmbom (right) and Stephanie Arey, physical therapist at CA Dean (left), show off the scooter from the loan closet.

provided through the Loan Closet program is a direct result of the generosity of the local CA Dean community.

“This program is amazing!” continued Roxanne. “Without my scooter, I would have had a longer recovery. Not once did I have to put pressure on my foot to get around my house.” As a result of her positive experience, Roxanne has referred several of her friends to the benefits of this program.

If you are interested in learning more about what the loan closet has available or you would like to donate equipment, please call Stephanie Arey, physical therapist at Charles A Dean Memorial Hospital at 207-695-5279.

When Roxanne Holmbom was scheduled for foot surgery in December of 2009, she knew that she was in for a long recovery. She would need to remain off her foot for a month, and relying on friends day and night for assistance during her recovery would be difficult. Luckily, Roxanne was aware of the Loan Closet program at Charles A Dean Memorial Hospital and Nursing Home.

“Without the Loan Closet program, I wouldn’t have purchased the equipment I needed due to the cost and the short term need,” said Roxanne. During her recovery, Roxanne required the use of a walker, shower chair, and a Roll-A-Bout “scooter.” The cost to rent this equipment during her recovery would have cost her approximately \$350. Over the past two years, CA Dean has saved patients over \$7000 in rental fees for equipment through the Loan Closet program.

The program is administered locally at CA Dean through Rehab Services. When a patient has a need, they simply contact the rehab department to check availability, and schedule a pickup time. At the time of pickup, the Rehab Services staff properly fits the equipment for the patient and provides them with a brief instructional demonstration on the use of the equipment. There is no due date for the equipment and no fees are charged for this service. Much of the equipment



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