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Over 250 people registered during the Chase County Community Hospital's annual health fair at the hospital in Imperial Saturday. Staff said more may have attended, but didn't register.

A total of 569 people had lab work, or blood draws, done ahead of time that tested blood for various conditions, such as cholesterol, health of organs and other factors.

There were 212 PSAs done, and 297 glyco hemoglobin tests, which was offered for the first time this year.

Those numbers are up over last year, when there were 542 lab draws and 189 PSAs done.

Director of Nursing Delores Francis said "A large amount of people took advantage of having the staff explain the lab test results" to them during the fair.

She said an osteoporosis screening truck from Laramie, Wyo. saw "fairly steady" business during the day. Over 50 influenza vaccinations were also done.

People inspected booths that highlighted information about various topics such as diabetes, Alzheimer's, nursing homes, domestic abuse, skin checks and more.

Transport helicopters from Midwest Transport of North Platte and Air Care of Kearney were unable to make expected visits due to poor weather conditions. Francis said no plans have been made for future visits for public inspection.

Francis said all in all, "it was a fairly good crowd" at the health fair.