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Membership Restructuring of CHRISTUS St. Vincent Announced

Anchorum St. Vincent to Expand Efforts in Northern New Mexico

Santa Fe, NM – After more than a 15-year partnership between Anchorum St. Vincent and CHRISTUS Health, leaders confirmed today they have finalized terms to restructure their nonprofit partnership so Anchorum can magnify its impact work across northern New Mexico.

This new agreement recognizes and formalizes the strategic roles of both CHRISTUS Health and Anchorum St. Vincent that have evolved over time. The partnership restructuring enables CHRISTUS Health to remain focused on hospital operations while providing the capital for Anchorum St. Vincent to further expand its mission.

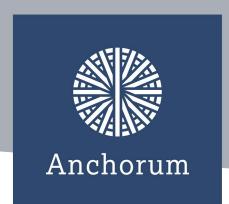
"This 15-year relationship has been a win-win for northern New Mexico," said Jerry Jones, President and CEO of Anchorum St. Vincent. "With this restructuring, CHRISTUS Health will provide financial resources to Anchorum St. Vincent to improve the social determinants of health in northern New Mexico. In addition, Anchorum will maintain hospital board seats, continue to support St. Vincent's long-term mission to serve our community, and ensure patients and families across northern New Mexico have access to the quality healthcare they deserve."

Ernie Sadau, President and CEO of CHRISTUS Health, said, "The partnership with Anchorum over these past 15 years has been incredibly successful because it harnessed the combined strengths of an international health system and Anchorum to dramatically improve access to quality healthcare. With this restructuring, CHRISTUS Health is once again demonstrating its commitment to deeply invest in the state of New Mexico and in the health and well-being of all the communities we serve. We are proud to continue our meaningful, long-term relationship with Anchorum."

Jones shared, "Since the beginning of the partnership in 2008, we have seen CHRISTUS St. Vincent dramatically improve the quality of care for our residents. In doing so, CHRISTUS Health has successfully led the way for our local health system to be rated by Leapfrog as one of the safest hospitals to receive care in the state of New Mexico and to notably earn Best Place to Work by its Associates for six consecutive years, all while serving more people in our region."

Anchorum recognizes that many New Mexico communities are in crisis. Research shows that healthcare access makes up only 20% of an individual's health status, while the other 80%, commonly referred to as Social Determinants of Health, are the complex and interconnected social, economic, and environmental factors families face daily, like access to healthy food, affordable housing, and educational attainment.

Jones said, "Anchorum St. Vincent activated a secondary mission a few years ago to address this broader spectrum of community issues, and now, with this restructuring, Anchorum is poised to make



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significant headway against New Mexico's broader health challenges. Anchorum will strategically invest in and meaningfully address the social determinants of health outside the walls of the hospital."

"The partnership between Anchorum St. Vincent and CHRISTUS Health has been and will continue to be extraordinarily beneficial for the people of Santa Fe and northern New Mexico who deserve to have a quality, full-service safety net hospital that cares for all who enter its doors," said Lillian Montoya, President and CEO of CHRISTUS St. Vincent. "Because of this long-standing partnership, we can point to many successful initiatives that have improved patient care, like transitioning to a medical record platform for patients to have transparency about their care, the addition of the Frost Pavilion, having upgraded to all private rooms, the groundbreaking of the new state-of-the-art Cancer Center, and the addition of more than 25 medical clinics to dramatically expand patient access to quality primary and specialty healthcare. With Anchorum St. Vincent's expanded mission, there will be even more ways to continue our partnership in addressing the needs of those in our regional community." CHRISTUS St. Vincent Regional Medical Center is the only nonprofit full-service healthcare system in northern New Mexico, and investments in the hospital continue to provide northern New Mexico residents access to high-quality care, keeping them closer to home.

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The partnership among the organizations began in 2008 with CHRISTUS Health, CHRISTUS St. Vincent Regional Medical Center, and Anchorum St. Vincent, and that working partnership has drastically improved the quality and safety of healthcare at CHRISTUS St. Vincent. The hospital again achieved an A Grade from Leapfrog Health Safety Grade, one of only two hospitals in New Mexico to achieve this recognition. The hospital has also partnered with the Mayo Clinic Care Network to provide patients with access to the highest levels of care. CHRISTUS St. Vincent Regional Medical Center is the only full-service healthcare system and continues to provide residents access to the highest levels of care in northern New Mexico.

Anchorum St. Vincent began in 2008 as SVHSupport. Since 2019, Anchorum St. Vincent has provided grants and impact investments to improve healthcare in northern New Mexico, totaling more than \$42.1 million. By partnering with local and regional foundations, many projects have leveraged and attracted additional dollars to the state, which has increased the impact and worked to improve quality of life and access to healthcare. CHRISTUS Health is a multinational, not-for-profit Catholic health system made up of more than 600 healthcare facilities, including hospitals, outpatient and specialty care clinics, and urgent care sites throughout Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, and throughout Latin America in Mexico, Chile, and Colombia.

<u>CHRISTUS St. Vincent</u> represents the state-of-the-art hospital and 28 clinics. It is north-central New Mexico's only full-service healthcare system dedicated to providing the region's residents with access to a comprehensive range of quality healthcare services. Together with our providers, nurses, and technicians, we are committed to delivering superior, personalized healthcare to our regional community of patients and families.