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CATHOLIC HEALTHCARE WEST HOSPITALS RANK IN MODERN HEALTHCARE’S 100 BEST PLACES TO WORK

CHANDLER, GILBERT and PHOENIX Ariz. (October 27, 2010) – Modern Healthcare magazine’s 100 Best Places to Work 2010 list was recently released and all three Arizona Catholic Healthcare West (CHW) hospitals were recognized. Mercy Gilbert Medical Center ranked No.16, Chandler Regional Medical Center ranked No. 28 and St. Joseph’s Hospital and Medical Center ranked No. 37 out of the top100 healthcare organizations across the nation in the large category (more than 1,000 employees).

Modern Healthcare’s Best Places to Work program recognizes the top 100 healthcare organizations nationwide that enable employees to perform at their optimum level to provide patients and customers with the best possible care and services. There were 328 employers who competed for the award.

To determine the top 100 best workplaces, a firm that researches regional best places to work programs across the country, conducted an extensive selection process of healthcare companies. The process included a detailed questionnaire that required information about benefits, policies, practices and a confidential random survey taken by employees to determine their hospital’s working environment and employee satisfaction.

“It is an honor to have all three Arizona CHW hospitals recognized as part of the top 100 healthcare organizations in the nation,” said Linda Hunt, president and CEO of St. Joseph’s Hospital and Medical Center and Service Area Leader for CHW Arizona. “Such a distinction was made possible through the drive and enthusiasm of our employees who create an environment that makes our organizations great places to work while providing excellent patient care.”

Chandler Regional, Mercy Gilbert and St. Joseph’s are consistently ranked as a Best Place to Work in the Valley by the Phoenix Business Journal each year.

About Catholic Healthcare West
Catholic Healthcare West (CHW), headquartered in San Francisco, CA, is a system of 40 hospitals and medical centers in California, Arizona, and Nevada. Founded in 1986, it is one of the nation’s largest not-for-profit health care systems and the largest private hospital system in California. CHW is committed to delivering compassionate, high-quality, affordable health care services with special attention to the poor and
underserved. The CHW network of nearly 10,000 physicians and approximately 54,000 employees provides health care services to more than five million people annually. In 2010, CHW provided more than $1.3 billion in charity care, community benefit, and unreimbursed patient care. For more information, please visit our website at www.chwHEALTH.org.

About Chandler Regional Medical Center
Chandler Regional Medical Center is a 225-bed, acute-care, non-for-profit provider of emergency care, maternal child services, cardiovascular services, wound healing, cancer treatment, diabetes treatment, and diagnostic services. It is located at 475 S. Dobson Road (corner of Dobson Road and Frye Road) in Chandler. For more information, please visit www.chandlerregional.org or call 480.728.3000. Chandler Regional Medical Center is an Equal Opportunity Employer (EOE). For employment opportunities, please visit www.chwcareers.org/arizona. For information on physician referrals or community classes and support groups, please contact ResourceLink toll-free at 1.877.728.5414.

About Mercy Gilbert Medical Center
Mercy Gilbert Medical Center is located at the intersection of Val Vista Drive and Loop 212 (south of Pecos Road and east of Val Vista Drive). Mercy Gilbert Medical Center is a four-story, full-service acute-care facility with 212 beds. For more information, please visit www.mercygilbert.org or call 480.728.8000. Mercy Gilbert Medical Center is an Equal Opportunity Employer (EOE). For employment opportunities, please visit www.chwcareers.org/arizona. For information on physician referrals or community classes and support groups, please contact ResourceLink toll-free at 1.877.728.5414.

About St. Joseph’s Hospital and Medical Center
Located in the heart of Phoenix, Arizona, St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center is a 697-bed, not-for-profit hospital that provides a wide range of health, social and support services with special advocacy for the poor and underserved. St. Joseph’s is a nationally recognized center for quality tertiary care, medical education and research. It includes the internationally renowned Barrow Neurological Institute, the Heart & Lung Institute, St. Joseph’s Children’s Health Center, and a Level I Trauma Center verified by the American College of Surgeons. U.S. News & World Report routinely ranks St. Joseph’s among the best hospitals in the United States for neurology and neurosurgery.

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