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Historic Area Hospital to Participate in Modern Patient Care Model

CHESS and Northern Regional Hospital announce value-based care collaboration

Mount Airy - Northern Regional Hospital and CHESS, a health care services company based in High Point, announce a new collaboration to deliver high quality, coordinated health care to Northern Regional Hospital patients.

Northern Regional Hospital and CHESS will work together to care for patients through a value-based care model. This model will benefit a provider for improving the quality of care and patient health outcomes, while lowering the cost of care through prevention, innovation, care coordination, waste reduction and information sharing.

"As a nationally-recognized provider of quality, safe care, Northern Regional Hospital is pleased to partner with CHESS to further enhance our clinical outcomes with a proven value-based model that aligns fully with our patient-focused approach to care," said Robin H. Hodgin, BSN, MHA, Vice President for Patient Services & Chief Nursing Officer. "We look forward to embracing a value-based system that permits us to further improve our patient-care protocols and services while lowering costs."

"CHESS is thrilled to be partnering with Northern Regional Hospital because of its outstanding reputation for clinical excellence and patient satisfaction," says Yates Lennon, MD, interim president and chief transformation officer for CHESS. "This collaboration is a win-win for everyone involved, especially the patient populations served by Northern Regional Hospital – including the northwest Piedmont region of North Carolina and neighboring counties in southwest Virginia."

CHESS has assisted a number of health systems in making the transformation to value by implementing innovative care models and establishing value-based contracts with insurance carriers. CHESS' value partners include Catawba Valley Medical Group, Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital, AdventHealth Hendersonville, and Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center.

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About Northern Regional Hospital - Northern Regional Hospital, a 133-bed hospital, is an independently operated award winning facility with a number of outpatient service locations including physician specialists, pharmacy, and fitness center. Northern Medical Group is the hospital's network of primary care and specialty providers delivering a comprehensive array of services to meet the needs of the community. Northern Regional Hospital is a certified *Stroke Center of Excellence* and is recognized for distinction in patient safety, receiving multiple honors including being named a Top 10% hospital in the nation for medical excellence. Northern is also ranked as a *Top 100 Great Community Hospital* by Beckers' Institute. The state-of-the art Surgery Center houses a wide range of inpatient and outpatient procedures including orthopedics, gynecology, gastroenterology, urological, surgeries of the eye, and other general surgeries. Founded in

1957, Northern Regional Hospital is located in Mount Airy, North Carolina and serves the northwest Piedmont region of NC and neighboring counties in southwest Virginia. For more information visit <u>www.choosenorthern.org</u>.

About CHESS - CHESS is a physician-managed health care services company that empowers physicians, health care providers and health systems to make the transition to value-based healthcare – improving quality and reducing cost by delivering innovative care that improves patient outcomes. With careful attention to high quality and efficiency, CHESS negotiates payer contracts that enable physicians to share in cost savings. CHESS creates a health care environment that is both patient-centered and clinician-friendly. For more information about CHESS, please visit <u>chesshealthsolutions.com</u> or call 336-821-7060.