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St. James Mercy Hospital Awarded \$30,000 Grant for Psychiatric and Addiction Treatment Services

January 11, 2012...Hornell, NY...St. James Mercy Hospital has been awarded a \$30,677 Heritage Fund grant from Catholic Health East (CHE) for new kitchen facilities at MATCH (Mercycare Addiction and Treatment Center of Hornell) and the Psychiatric Care Unit.

A portion of the grant will be used for new appliances, cabinets, dining chairs, and flooring at MATCH to provide a safer, more functional, and welcoming space for patients. Monies will also be allocated to a kitchen and sitting area in the newly renovated adult Psychiatric Care Unit, which is currently being relocated to provide contemporary, centralized, and safer space for patients. The new kitchen and sitting area will include appliances, dining furniture, television, couches, and chairs. The relocation and renovation project is expected to be completed in late March.

According to Trish Uldrich, SJMH Chief Nursing Officer, "Both of these services are essential to St. James Mercy Hospital's behavioral health program and to our community. The enhancements to MATCH and inpatient adult psychiatric care are greatly needed to maintain the quality of care our patients deserve. Without the support of CHE's Heritage Fund, these improvements would not have been possible."

Located at the Mercycare campus, MATCH offers high-quality inpatient care aimed at promoting addiction recovery, including inpatient treatment and outpatient programs. SJMH also offers inpatient psychiatric services for adolescents and adults at the Hospital location. The Heritage Fund grant program is managed by Catholic Health East, and designed to fund projects to care for those who are poor, underserved or disadvantaged. Grants are awarded to member facilities within CHE.

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