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St. James Mercy Hospital Selects Buyer for McAuley Manor Long-term Care Service

*Deal will ensure continued access to a vital healthcare service,
consistent with the SJMH New Vision for Healthcare in Hornell*

HORNELL, NY (January 26, 2015) – St. James Mercy Hospital (SJMH) announced today that it has agreed to terms for New York State-based **Post Acute Partners** to acquire St. James Mercy’s McAuley Manor long-term care service.

“Our New Vision for healthcare in Hornell is designed to ensure continued access to quality health care services for our community,” said Jennifer Sullivan, president and CEO of St. James Mercy Hospital. “The selection of Post Acute Partners — a high-quality, highly reputable long-term care provider — is a very positive step toward achieving our mission.”

Through Buffalo-based Elderwood, Post Acute Partners owns and operates 17 skilled nursing, assisted living, and independent living facilities in New York State. In addition, through Pediatric Specialty Care, Post Acute Partners owns and operates services for six pediatric special care facilities in Pennsylvania. Its facilities are noted for both its high-quality care and high ratings among residents and patients.

In addition to facility-based services, Post Acute Partners provides other services in the post-acute care space. Woodmark Pharmacy is a provider of institutional pharmacy services in New York and Massachusetts, and Senior Comfort Services is a provider of home care services in Massachusetts. Finally, Elderwood Health Plan has applied to become a Managed Long Term Care Plan in various counties throughout upstate New York.

“The SJMH board of directors looked at a number of attributes in selecting Post Acute Partners as McAuley Manor’s new operator, chief among them are the group’s track records of quality care, community partnership and stewardship,” said Sullivan. “Post Acute Partners will make a terrific addition to the Hornell healthcare landscape.”

“We are excited about the opportunity to continue McAuley Manor’s proud legacy of service to the Hornell community,” said Warren Cole, Co-Chief Executive Officer of Post Acute Partners. “We are looking forward to providing exceptional care to McAuley’s residents, and to working with the facility’s skilled nursing care teams.”

Following a period of due diligence, St. James Mercy and Post Acute Partners will look to execute an asset purchase agreement. The parties must then seek regulatory approval from the New York State Department of Health.

St. James Mercy Hospital first announced its intent to sell McAuley Manor in May 2014.

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For information on St. James Mercy Hospital, see <http://www.stjamesmercy.org>.

For information on Post Acute Partners, see <http://postacute.com/>.

For information on Elderwood, see <http://www.elderwood.com/>.