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St. James Mercy Hospital Announces Staffing Adjustments

August 28, 2012...Hornell, NY...St. James Mercy Hospital (SJMH) announced that it has implemented staffing adjustments effective August 28, 2012, amounting to the equivalent of 18.25 full-time employees.

“The decision to adjust staffing at St. James Mercy Hospital is a difficult one that we deeply regret having to make,” said Mary LaRowe, President and CEO of St. James Mercy Health System. “SJMH has experienced a continued decline in patient revenue and also significant declines in state and federal funding,” she said. “We are committed to assisting the transition for those employees affected by the adjustments through support from Human Resources and Mission Services.”

The staffing adjustments will include the elimination of positions, restructure of departments, and reduction in hours. “Employees who are directly affected have been notified, and will be provided support and options for their consideration,” said Ms. LaRowe. Employees were informed of the adjustments on August 28.

“We continue to work diligently with partners Guthrie Healthcare System and Catholic Health East,” said LaRowe. “Both organizations are committed to the long-term viability of SJMH, and both will continue to support our efforts to manage resources in the face of declining revenue.”

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