

Trinitas Regional Medical Center

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Trinitas Hospital Changes its Name To Trinitas Regional Medical Center

Elizabeth, New Jersey July 24, 2008 To reflect its growth and expanded capabilities, the Board of Trustees of Trinitas Hospital has voted to change the institution's name to Trinitas Regional Medical Center. In accordance with state regulations, the hospital has submitted an application for the formal name change to the state Department of Health and Senior Services.

The new name recognizes the status of Trinitas as a regional healthcare provider and reflects the broad range of services available at the facility, according to Gary S. Horan, FACHE, President and Chief Executive Officer.

"The positive changes taking place at Trinitas are unprecedented," Mr. Horan said, adding that the new name more accurately reflects the mission and goals of the institution, which provides services to those who work and live in Central and Northern New Jersey and beyond. "Trinitas offers a more extensive array of services, more technological advancements and a broader range of expertise for more members of the community than ever before," Mr. Horan added.

Trinitas was established in January 2000 following the consolidation of two Elizabeth hospitals, Elizabeth General Medical Center and St. Elizabeth Hospital. "In just eight years, Trinitas has grown to become a provider that reaches a greater number of people than the two previous hospitals combined," Mr. Horan explained.

In 2007 Trinitas admitted over 17,000 patients, treated more than 60,000 emergencies, and provided over 300,000 outpatient treatments. In addition to its 531 beds located in two major Elizabeth campuses, Trinitas has a healthcare presence throughout the state with nearly 100 locations.

With a staff of more than 2,400 employees and a medical staff of close to 500 physicians, Trinitas Regional Medical Center is one of the largest employers in Central New Jersey. A teaching hospital, Trinitas Regional Medical Center offers highly specialized care through ten Centers of Excellence.

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Trinitas provides state-of-the-art cancer services through the new Trinitas Comprehensive Cancer Center, a \$28 million facility that houses the country's most powerful and precise tool for radiation therapy - the Varion Trilogy linear accelerator. The medical center's Department of Behavioral Health & Psychiatry is among the largest hospital-based behavioral health care facilities in the state. With three dialysis centers in Elizabeth and Linden, Trinitas is the designated End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) treatment provider for Union County. Its maternity services are designated by the state as a Level 2 Intermediate Care nursery. The Center for Wound Healing & Hyperbaric Medicine claims one of the nation's highest healing rates for difficult wounds. With an enrollment of nearly 2,000 students, the Trinitas School of Nursing is the sixth largest nursing school in the country. The Sleep Disorders Center carries a prestigious accreditation from the American Academy of Sleep Medicine. In addition, Trinitas Children's Therapy Services provides school-based occupational and physical therapy services for 47 school districts throughout the state.

Trinitas' excellent staff, teamwork and workplace environment were recognized recently by AARP and NJBIZ, which both named the facility among the best places to work in the state. NJBIZ honored Trinitas with the "Best Place to Work in New Jersey" designation for each of the last three years.

"This is an exciting time for Trinitas and for health care in New Jersey. Our new name more accurately represents the level of health care we provide as we move forward to meet an ever-growing number of health needs in our region. The degree to which we accomplish these objectives will ultimately determine the value of the Trinitas Regional Medical Center name," Mr. Horan said.

"One example of this commitment is our recent action to help assure uninterrupted healthcare for the residents of the Plainfield community following the proposed closure of Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center," he explained, adding that Trinitas stepped forward to provide maternity care for up to 800 expectant mothers. Trinitas

will also provide expanded gynecological as well as behavioral health services in the Plainfield area.

Trinitas Regional Medical Center is a healthcare institution sponsored by the Sisters of Charity of Saint Elizabeth in partnership with Elizabethtown Healthcare Foundation. For more information please visit: www.Trinitas.org <<http://www.TrinitasRMC.org>>

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About Trinitas Regional Medical Center

Trinitas Regional Medical Center is a major center for comprehensive health services for those who live and work in Central New Jersey. Offering 531 beds, Trinitas is distinguished by no less than ten Centers of Excellence, which include: the Trinitas Comprehensive Cancer Center; the Trinitas School of Nursing; the Center for Wound Healing & Hyperbaric Medicine; the Sleep Disorders Center; cardiology services, maternal/child health services; diabetes management; women's services, renal care; behavioral health services, and senior services. The Department of

