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HARI Welcomes New Board of Trustees Chair and Vice Chair

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The Hospital Association of Rhode Island (HARI) has recently welcomed CharterCARE Health Partners Chief Executive Officer John J. Holiver, as the newly-elected chair of the HARI Board of Trustees.

Holiver was named Chief Executive Officer of CharterCARE Health Partners in July 2016, having served previously as interim President of Roger Williams Medical Center. Prior to joining Prospect Medical Holdings in 2015 as Chief Integration Officer, Holiver held several executive leadership positions in the Steward Health Care System.

“I look forward to leading the Hospital Association of Rhode Island during this era of change and challenge in our state’s healthcare sector. I greatly appreciate the confidence of my fellow CEOs in electing me as the HARI Board Chair and I will do all I can to ensure that the collective interests of Rhode Island’s hospitals are well represented at the state and federal levels.”

Prior to joining Prospect Medical Holdings in 2015 as Chief Integration Officer, Holiver held several executive leadership positions in the Steward Health Care System, New England’s largest community-based hospital network. At Steward, he served as President of St. Elizabeth’s Medical Center, the system’s flagship hospital, and in the same capacity at both Norwood and Good Samaritan Hospitals. He also served as Chief Executive Officer of Manet Community Health System in Massachusetts. Holiver is a member of the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE). In his executive roles, he has had oversight of academic medicine, financial planning and growth, quality improvement, physician recruitment and retention. He also has a special interest and expertise in the hospitality sector, and has applied his knowledge to advancing customer service and patient satisfaction principles and benchmarks in the healthcare field.

As CEO of CharterCARE, Holiver has helped grow a system that includes two hospitals, a major cancer treatment and research center, a leading behavioral health program, a home health agency and an independent physician association comprised of more than 500 Rhode Island primary care physicians and specialists.

In addition, Chief Executive Officer of Landmark Medical Center and the Rehabilitation Hospital of Rhode Island Michael Souza was recently elected the vice chair of the HARI Board of Trustees. Souza joined the Prime Healthcare system in 2017. Prior to becoming CEO of Landmark Medical Center and the Rehabilitation Hospital of Rhode Island, Souza served in several roles at Hospital Association of Rhode Island, including president of the association. Souza joined HARI in 2009 from Signature Healthcare in Brockton, MA, where he served as corporate controller and was responsible for the accounting, reporting and control functions of the corporation’s various entities. He also served as director of financial planning at Landmark Medical Center.

“I am honored to accept the nomination of vice chair for the HARI Board of Trustees,” said Souza. “I look forward to partnering with HARI leadership in an effort to address the myriad of issues facing healthcare today.”

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