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Renown Skilled Nursing Facility To Close In December 2018

Care to continue without disruption thanks to region's experienced skilled nursing centers, care providers

RENO, Nev. (Oct. 15, 2018) – After careful consideration, Renown Health has made the decision to close its skilled nursing facility on Saturday, December 15, 2018 in an ongoing effort to ensure the highest quality and most appropriate care for our growing population. Due to the continued challenges with a decline in admissions, coupled with the complex regulatory environment and difficulty in recruiting staff, this is the right decision for our community.

“The northern Nevada area is fortunate to have a number of forward-thinking, innovative skilled nursing facilities. Transitioning residents from the Renown Skilled Nursing facility will allow Renown to focus on delivering care through our hospitals, medical group and urgent care network, while keeping up with the tremendous growth our region is experiencing,” said Melodie Osborn, RN, Vice President, Transitional Care and Chief Nursing Officer.

“Our focus during this transition is finding new homes for our 57 residents so no resident will go without service—even for a day,” said Chris Nicholas, Senior Administrator of Rehabilitation Services at Renown. “Our residents and their loved ones may have been a member of our ‘Renown Skilled Family’ for a week, a month or many years and we truly appreciate the trust and confidence the community has placed in us.”

As has always been the case, residents and their families have a choice of the provider and potential residence they feel is best for them. The skilled nursing residences in the Truckee Meadows are widely regarded for their expertise, compassionate care, contemporary practices and attractive, modern facilities. They have capacity to accept new patients and Renown is confident their services are of the same high caliber as those patients and families have been receiving.

“The quality, compassionate care offered at the Renown Skilled Nursing facility is due to the hard work and dedication of our employees,” said Nicholas. “Our Human Resources team is working with employees to find them positions in Renown, or with other local skilled nursing centers who are currently recruiting staff.”

Renown Skilled Nursing was established in 1977 to ensure around-the-clock licensed nursing care for patients before returning home from the hospital and to provide access to physical, occupational and speech therapies that restore function, improve quality of life and facilitate emotional, physical and social support. Renown Transitional Care also includes Renown Rehabilitation Hospital, Renown Home Health Care, Renown Hospice Care, Renown Palliative & Supportive Care, Advanced Wound Care, Psychiatry, Physical Therapy & Rehab and Monaco Ridge Assisted Living.

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About Renown Health

Renown Health is a locally governed and locally owned, not-for-profit integrated healthcare network serving Nevada, Lake Tahoe and northeast California. Renown is one of the region's largest private employers with a workforce of more than 7,000. It comprises three acute care hospitals, a rehabilitation hospital, the area's most comprehensive medical group and urgent care network, and the region's largest and only locally owned not-for-profit insurance company, Hometown Health. Renown has a long tradition and commitment to continually improve the care and the health of our community. For more information, visit renown.org.