

## **Longtime CHRISTUS Spohn Leader Takes the Helm at Two Hospitals in Corpus Christi, TX**

(*Corpus Christi, Texas*) – CHRISTUS Spohn Health System names longtime CHRISTUS Spohn leader, David LeMonte, FACHE, as President of CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Corpus Christi-*Memorial* and CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Corpus Christi-*Shoreline*.

LeMonte previously served as President of both CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Alice and CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Kleberg, and brings more than 20 years of health care experience to his new role. He offers a strong financial and physician-relations background and will be a steady guide as CHRISTUS Spohn puts the finishing touches on a new, 10-story Patient Care Tower at *Shoreline*. Corpus Christi has not seen a building such as this and this large built along its Bayfront and near its Downtown area in decades. It will be the most comprehensive health center south of San Antonio.

LeMonte says it is a privilege to join an outstanding group of leaders and Associates who are already doing so much to care for South Texans. “I look forward to working closely with the CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital *Memorial* and CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital *Shoreline* team to complete CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital *Shoreline*’s historic \$335 million dollar transformation project which is scheduled for completion next year,” LeMonte said.

LeMonte’s appointment to head up the biggest hospitals in the area come as little surprise to other hospital executives including Justin Doss, President and CEO of the CHRISTUS Spohn Health System.

“David is a tenured health care executive, who understands the complexities of health care in the Coastal Bend,” explained Doss. “He will be instrumental in strengthening our Ministry so that all of our residents may continue to have access to advanced, quality health care.”

This will be an exciting year for CHRISTUS Spohn as the health system finishes a 5 year-long construction project, transforming the CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital *Shoreline* campus into an ultra-modern medical facility that will provide state-of-the-art care for future generations of South Texans. Additionally, CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital *Memorial* is scheduled to close. An already built Dr. Hector P. Garcia Memorial Family Health Center is proving to be a valuable place for the community and since opening is serving the health care needs of thousands of South Texans

For more information on the *Shoreline* Transformation Project visit [www.ourpathforward.org](http://www.ourpathforward.org)

LeMonte’s previous role will be filled by Thomas McKinney. He will join the CHRISTUS Spohn team on April 9, 2018 as the new President of CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Alice and CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Kleberg.