Brynt Ellis named executive director of St. Joseph Mercy Livingston hospital and St. Joseph Mercy Brighton health center

BRIGHTON and HOWELL, Mich. – (Sept 16, 2014) – Brynt Ellis has been appointed executive director of St. Joseph Mercy Livingston hospital and St. Joseph Mercy Brighton health center, effective Oct. 13. In this role, he will be responsible for the day-to-day operations at both Livingston County health facilities, and play an important role in the renovation and expansion efforts taking place at both locations.

"It is an honor and privilege for me to be part of Saint Joseph Mercy Health System focusing on the exciting revitalization program in Livingston County," said Ellis. "Innovative health care options will complement the comprehensive services already provided by St. Joe's in Livingston, and position the county well to meet the health care needs of the growing population."

For the past two years, Ellis has worked as a senior project manager in the Office of the Chief Operating Officer at the University of Michigan Health System. Key contributions in this role include managing the development of a large-scale $164 million hospital renovation project as well as designing and executing the Comprehensive Stroke Program. In addition, Ellis also served during this time as a health services officer in the United States Air Force Guard where he oversees health services activity at Selfridge Air National Guard Base ensuring basewide combat readiness.

Previously, Ellis directed Sub Acute operations at Glacier Hills senior living community where he had developmental oversight and management for the care, policy and programs for Sub Acute services within the 161-bed inpatient facility. Prior to that, he served as director of Care Delivery for HCR ManorCare, a skilled nursing and rehabilitation center, and was responsible for clinical outcomes and compliance for the Sub Acute nursing department.

Ellis holds a bachelor’s degree in Nursing and a master’s degree in Healthcare Systems from the University of Michigan.

"Brynt's background in both nursing and large scale project management is the perfect combination to lead the renovation of our important Livingston county health facilities," said Rob
Casalou, president and CEO, St. Joseph Mercy Ann Arbor and St. Joseph Mercy Livingston hospitals. "His clinical and operational experience will enable him to ensure the upgrades at those facilities are well-designed to meet the health needs of the community, and the ability to oversee the cutting-edge services we are designing such as the innovative short stay service in Brighton."

Saint Joseph Mercy Health System recently launched a $25 million revitalization program to add private patient rooms and expand the surgery center at St. Joseph Mercy Livingston hospital, as well as develop an innovative short stay service that includes a 28-bed unit for overnight stays at St. Joseph Mercy Brighton. Led by physicians, this short stay service will provide overnight care for outpatients who require extended treatment and recovery.

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**About Saint Joseph Mercy Health System**
Saint Joseph Mercy Health System (SJMH S) is a health care organization serving six counties in southeast Michigan including Livingston, Macomb, Oakland, St. Clair, Washtenaw and Wayne. It includes 537-bed St. Joseph Mercy Ann Arbor, 443-bed St. Joseph Mercy Oakland in Pontiac, 304-bed St. Mary Mercy Livonia, 164-bed St. Joseph Mercy Port Huron, 136-bed St. Joseph Mercy Livingston in Howell, and 113-bed St. Joseph Mercy Chelsea. Combined, the six hospitals are licensed for 1,697 beds, have six outpatient health centers, five urgent care facilities, more than 25 specialty centers; employ more than 14,000 individuals and have a medical staff of nearly 3,200 physicians. SJMHS has annual operating revenues of about $1.9 billion and returns $127 million to its communities annually through charity care and community benefit programs.

SJMHS is a member of CHE Trinity Health, the second largest Catholic health care system in the country. Based in Livonia, Mich., CHE Trinity Health operates in 20 states, employs nearly 87,000 people, has annual operating revenues of about $13.3 billion and assets of about $19.3 billion. Additionally, the new organization returns almost $1 billion to its communities annually in the form of charity care and other community benefit programs.

For more information on health services offered at Saint Joseph Mercy Health System, please visit [www.stjoeshealth.org](http://www.stjoeshealth.org).