

# MOVING MISSION HEALTH FORWARD FOR WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA



## Dear Friends and Neighbors —

As fellow community members who care deeply about world-class healthcare for our region, we are extremely pleased to share news about an unprecedented opportunity.

After months of careful deliberation, we, the Board of Directors of Mission Health, have unanimously decided to explore joining HCA Healthcare, a best-in-class healthcare provider that offers benefits that would be difficult, if not impossible, to achieve independently or with another healthcare organization.

If regulatory requirements are met and we discover that joining HCA Healthcare holds the promise and potential we believe it does, Mission Health will become a member of the HCA Healthcare family later this year. This is great news for our team, our patients and the communities we are privileged to serve.

**Moving forward for our communities** — If this opportunity moves forward, a very significant foundation will be created that is dedicated to improving the health and well-being of the residents of our 18-county region. With tens of millions of dollars to invest annually, the foundation's potential is life-changing, and that's great news for our communities.


**Moving forward for our patients and families** — Founded in Nashville, Tennessee, by two physicians, HCA Healthcare understands the unique needs of our patients, including those in remote and rural areas. It is committed to expanding access and accelerating improvements while gaining efficiencies. Rather than shutting doors, we'll be able to keep more open, and that's great news for our patients.

**Moving forward for our team** — HCA Healthcare plans to invest and grow here, which means new opportunities. With their scale and resources, they will provide the support needed for local leaders, service providers and clinicians to best meet the needs of their patients, and that's great news for our team.

By pursuing the opportunity to join HCA Healthcare, we are moving Mission Health forward to ensure healthy, vibrant communities and world-class healthcare for future generations of western North Carolinians.


And that's great news for all of us.


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