

Why HCA Healthcare

HCA Healthcare is one of the nation's leading providers of healthcare services made up of 179 locally managed hospitals and 120 freestanding surgery centers throughout the United States. Founded just over 50 years ago by two physicians in Nashville, Tennessee, HCA Healthcare has been named one of the "World's Most Ethical Companies" nine years in a row by Ethisphere, the world leader in business ethics. With more than 252,000 employees, 80,000 nurses, 37,000 physicians, the people of HCA are driven by one single goal: the care and improvement of human life.

HCA Healthcare's Commitment to Patients

- ✓ 106 of HCA Healthcare's 179 hospitals are on The Joint Commission's list of Top Performers on Key Quality Metrics.
- ✓ Ten HCA-affiliated hospitals are among the seven percent of hospitals nationwide that have achieved recognition from the American Nursing Credentialing Center (ANCC) Magnet Recognition Program, a prestigious distinction recognizing high-quality patient care, nursing excellence and innovations in professional nursing practice.
- ✓ HCA Healthcare's global Sarah Cannon Cancer Institute has been the clinical trial leader in the majority of approved cancer therapies in the last decade.
- ✓ HCA Healthcare has more than four dozen sites that participated in a landmark MRSA study published in the New England Journal of Medicine.
- ✓ HCA Healthcare's nurse-to-patient ratio matches Mission Health's nurse-to-patient ratio.
- ✓ HCA Healthcare has greater access to capital, which will help Mission invest in the latest diagnostic and surgical technology.

HCA Healthcare's Commitment to Providers

- ✓ HCA Healthcare has a tradition and philosophy of allowing physicians to do what they do best – deliver high quality care.
- ✓ HCA Healthcare has programs for existing and aspiring physicians including sponsoring and participating in the largest graduate medical program nationwide.
- ✓ Although HCA Healthcare proudly employs thousands of physicians and advanced practitioners, the majority of its physicians are private practice physicians who choose HCA hospitals and facilities as the best place to practice.

HCA Healthcare's Commitment to Community – Last year alone HCA Healthcare...

- ✓ Provided \$3.0 billion in uncompensated care to the communities it serves.
- ✓ Invested \$3.0 billion in capital to expand or bring new services to the communities it serves.
- ✓ Provided \$32 million in cash donations to local charitable organizations across the regions it serves.

A key component of our proposed agreement with HCA Healthcare is the creation of a new foundation with a dedicated focus on community health. With the potential of tens of millions of dollars or more available every year for improving the health of the residents of western North Carolina and beyond, the possibilities of this new foundation are nothing short of transformational.