

## **Encompass Health Corp. and Ascension St. John announce plans to build a 40-bed rehabilitation hospital in Owasso, Oklahoma**

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Feb. 8, 2021 /PRNewswire/ -- Encompass Health Corp. (NYSE: EHC) and Ascension St. John today announced their plans to construct a 40-bed inpatient rehabilitation hospital on East 86<sup>th</sup> Street North in Owasso, Oklahoma, a northern suburb of Tulsa, Oklahoma. The future hospital is the joint venture's second location.

Complementing local acute care services like those provided by Ascension St. John Owasso, the future hospital will offer physical, occupational and speech therapies, and 24-hour nursing care, to restore functional ability and quality of life. It will care for patients recovering from debilitating illnesses and injuries including strokes and other neurological disorders, brain injuries, spinal cord injuries, amputations and complex orthopedic conditions.



"Through the opening of our second hospital with Ascension St. John, we'll be able to support even more individuals in need of intensive, rehabilitation services provided in a hospital setting," said Barb Jacobsmeyer, executive vice president and president of inpatient hospitals at Encompass Health. "Since opening our Broken Arrow hospital in 2016, we have seen an increased demand for our care, and we will continue to work closely with the team at Ascension St. John to make sure our patients are receiving the high-quality care they deserve."

"We are thrilled to be partnering with Encompass Health on this rehabilitation hospital in Owasso. This new facility represents our commitment to providing accessible, personalized care for our patients," said Mike McBride, FACHE, Ascension St. John Regional President and COO. "We are very pleased to expand our rehabilitation services for the communities we serve."

The hospital will feature all private patient rooms, a spacious therapy gym with advanced rehabilitation technologies and activities of daily living suite, cafeteria, dining room, pharmacy and therapy courtyard.

### **About Ascension**

Ascension is a faith-based healthcare organization dedicated to transformation through innovation across the continuum of care. As one of the leading non-profit and Catholic health systems in the U.S., Ascension is committed to delivering compassionate, personalized care to all, with special attention to persons living in poverty and those most vulnerable. In FY2020, Ascension provided \$2.4 billion in care of persons living in poverty and other community benefit programs. Ascension includes more than 160,000 associates and 40,000 aligned providers. The national health system operates more than 2,600 sites of care – including 146 hospitals and more than 50 senior living facilities – in 19 states and the District of Columbia, while providing a variety of services including clinical and network services, venture capital investing, investment management, biomedical engineering, facilities management, risk management, and contracting through Ascension's own group purchasing organization. Visit [www.ascension.org](http://www.ascension.org).

### **About Encompass Health**

As a national leader in integrated healthcare services, Encompass Health (NYSE: EHC) offers both facility-based and home-based patient care through its network of inpatient rehabilitation hospitals, home health agencies and hospice agencies. With a national footprint that includes 137 hospitals, 241 home health locations, and 82 hospice locations in 39 states and Puerto Rico, the Company provides high-quality, cost-

effective integrated healthcare. Encompass Health is ranked as one of Fortune's 100 Best Companies to Work For. For more information, visit [encompasshealth.com](http://encompasshealth.com), or follow us on our [newsroom](#), [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#).

### **Forward-Looking Statements**

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