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Heywood Healthcare Announces New Leadership

Gardner Mass. (June 6, 2023) - As Heywood Healthcare charters its path forward, we acknowledge the rapidly changing landscape of healthcare and our goal of continuing to meet the needs of the community.

As we continue this journey, the Heywood Healthcare Board of Trustees is announcing a change in the leadership structure. Win Brown, the President and CEO for the past twelve years has separated from Heywood Healthcare.

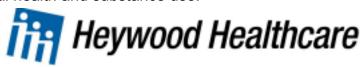
The system's new leadership structure includes the appointment of Rozanna Penney, current Vice President of Patient Care Services, Chief Nursing Officer and Chief Operating Officer, and Executive Director of Heywood Medical Group, and Tom Sullivan, the current Vice President of Financial Services, as co-CEOs. "This is an untraditional model, but one that capitalizes on the internal strength of the leadership team and the work before us, focused on community healthcare accompanied by financial and operational excellence. The Board is highly confident that this leadership structure, along with the help of our dedicated employees, will carry forward the Heywood Healthcare mission, to provide exceptional patient-centered care." - stated Heywood Healthcare Board Chair, Robert Chauvin.

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About Heywood Healthcare

Heywood Healthcare is an independent, community-owned healthcare system serving north central Massachusetts and southern New Hampshire, comprised of Heywood Hospital, a 134-bed acute care community-owned non-profit hospital in Gardner, MA; Athol Hospital, a 25-bed not-for-profit, Critical Access Hospital in Athol, MA; Heywood Medical Group, with primary care physicians and specialists located throughout the region; and The Quabbin Retreat, a premier destination for

treatment of mental health and substance use.



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The organization includes nine satellite facilities in MA: Ashburnham Family Medicine in Ashburnham, Heywood Rehabilitation Center, Summit Family Medicine & Heywood Primary Care and Urgent Care in Gardner, The Winchendon Health Center & Murdock School-based Health Center in Winchendon, Tully Family Medicine and Walk-In Care and ACES Athol Community Elementary School Based Health Center in Athol. The organization also includes the Heywood Healthcare Charitable Foundation. For more information, visit www.heywood.org