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WCHS Welcomes New Board Member Jeffrey D. Harrison, MD

Winnebago, NE – The Winnebago Comprehensive Healthcare System is thrilled to announce the arrival of Jeffrey D. Harrison, MD to their Board of Directors. WCHS is dedicated to creating and sustaining health in the Winnebago community, and Harrison’s voice will only elevate that vision.

The Board of Directors at WCHS serves as the governing body for the organization. The board assists and protects the executive team in their efforts to set strategy, oversee management, and to focus on the accountability and structure of WCHS. This board is comprised of tribal council members, as well as esteemed healthcare experts, ensuring the values of the indigenous community are being honored and that the needs of the WCHS patient community are being met.

“With Zettermen’s transition to retirement, we are grateful for the opportunity for yet another passionate healthcare expert in Jeffrey Harrison to help us continue to shape the future of our organization for the better. Harrison’s significant impacts in the field of family medicine make him the perfect person to help us as we strategically elevate our advanced primary care services.” States WCHS CEO David Edwards.

A distinguished figure in the field of healthcare, Harrison has been honored for his exceptional contributions as a Professor and Chair of the Department of Family Medicine at the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC) for the past four years. Harrison is a member of the Rural Health Advisory Commission for Nebraska DHHS and serves on the Executive Committee for the Nebraska Health Network ACO. With a wealth of experience spanning over two decades, Harrison previously held key positions including Rural Residency Program Director in Family Medicine (1998-2020) and Associate Dean for Admissions at UNMC College of Medicine (2010-2020). Notably, he also served as President of the Academy of Family Physicians in 2006. Harrison’s educational background includes a BS from Wayne State College (Class of 1983), an MD from UNMC College of Medicine (Class of 1988), and a Residency in Family Medicine from UNMC (Class of 1991). Beyond his illustrious career, Harrison is known for cherishing moments with his wife Connie, their two children, and three grandchildren.

“I am honored to have the opportunity to join and serve the WCHS community,” Harrison states. “I am looking forward to elevating the voices in this community to help guide the direction and growth of healthcare services in Winnebago.”

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The Winnebago Comprehensive Healthcare System (WCHS) is dedicated to creating and sustaining a healthy community in Winnebago and all the populations we serve. Our organization provides an integrated approach to medicine by offering care services that are compassionate, innovative, and culturally-centered. Our goal is to lead the nation in health for indigenous people by challenging the culture of healthcare for the 10,000 Native Americans who live on the Winnebago Reservation and in the surrounding region. The rural healthcare services we provide include renowned acute care hospital services, a robust primary care clinic, and impressive prevention programs designed to educate, encourage, and support the mental, environmental, social, and physical wellness needs of the Winnebago community. Visit www.wchs.health to learn more.

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