

SANTA FE COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2009-119

A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THAT CHRISTUS ST. VINCENT REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER AND ST. VINCENT HOSPITAL SUPPORTCO OPEN THEIR BOARD MEETINGS TO THE PUBLIC

WHEREAS, the Santa Fe County Board of County Commissioners ("Board") wishes to facilitate transparency, community participation and involvement in Santa Fe's sole community provider hospital; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the merger of St. Vincent Regional Medical Center and CHRISTUS Health to form CHRISTUS St. Vincent Regional Medical Center ("CHRISTUS St. Vincent"); and

WHEREAS, the Board is aware of the active involvement of St. Vincent Hospital SupportCo ("SupportCo") in CHRISTUS St. Vincent; and

WHEREAS, Santa Fe County provides a significant amount of taxpayer dollars for the operation and outreach of CHRISTUS St. Vincent; and

WHEREAS, Santa Fe County residents, who rely on CHRISTUS St. Vincent, have expressed the need for more transparency and accurate information about CHRISTUS St. Vincent's and SupportCo's policies, procedures and operations; and

WHEREAS, opening the board meetings of CHRISTUS St. Vincent and SupportCo would provide members of the public with the information they need, be a gesture of good faith, and would enhance communication within the community; and

WHEREAS, CHRISTUS St. Vincent asserts that "hospitals have the ability to share best practices ... to enhance and grow community services"; and

WHEREAS, the Board, for the public health, safety and welfare, wishes to encourage

CHRISTUS St. Vincent and SupportCo in the strongest terms possible to open their board meetings to the public; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe County hereby resolves and proclaims as follows:

- 1. The Board of County Commissioners urges CHRISTUS St. Vincent and SupportCo to open their board meetings to the public effective immediately.
- 2. A copy of this Resolution shall be sent to the boards of CHRISTUS St. Vincent and SupportCo for their consideration and action.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 14 day of July, 2009.

Michael D. Anaya
 MICHAEL D. ANAYA, CHAIR

ATTEST:

Valerie Espinoza

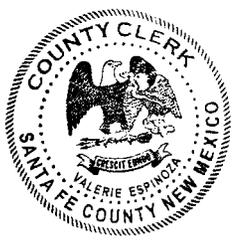
VALERIE ESPINOZA, SANTA FE COUNTY CLERK



APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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STEPHEN C. ROSS, SANTA FE COUNTY ATTORNEY



COUNTY OF SANTA FE)
 STATE OF NEW MEXICO) ss

I Hereby Certify That This Instrument Was Filed for Record On The 15TH Day Of July, 2009 at 01:11:41 PM And Was Duly Recorded as Instrument # 1570489 Of The Records Of Santa Fe County

Marcella
 Deputy _____
 Witness My Hand And Seal Of Office
 Valerie Espinoza
 County Clerk, Santa Fe, NM

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