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Richard McLaughlin, MD, MBA, Named Chief Executive Officer of Phoenixville Hospital and Pottstown Hospital

(Phoenixville/Pottstown, PA – April 2024) – Tower Health announced that longtime employee Richard McLaughlin, MD, MBA has been appointed President and Chief Executive Officer of Phoenixville Hospital and Pottstown Hospital.

"I am excited to be stepping into the role of President and CEO," says Dr. McLaughlin. "I look forward to working with these two hospital staffs to achieve our vision and strategy for each hospital. We have the people, passion, and commitment to become even stronger in this competitive market, and I am confident we will continue to lead the way in advancing healthcare for our patients while delivering an excellent patient experience."

Dr. McLaughlin will be responsible for the strategic, operational, and financial performance for both Phoenixville Hospital and Pottstown Hospital. He will chart a strategy for these two hospitals' next chapter, and he will oversee all critical strategic, operational, and business-building areas.

"Dr. McLaughlin has a proven reputation as a strong healthcare leader who will lead an exciting course for Phoenixville and Pottstown Hospitals," Michael Stern, Chief Operating Officer, Tower Health, said. "We are certain he will guide these two hospitals to further success in our mission to provide compassionate patient care through unrivaled quality and outreach in the many communities we serve."

Dr. McLaughlin started at Pottstown Hospital in 1999 as an attending Emergency Medicine physician, and, in 2005, he took on the role of Chairman and Medical Director of Emergency Medicine. In 2015, he became the Chief Medical Officer at Pottstown Hospital and promoted to Chief Medical Officer of both Pottstown and Phoenixville Hospitals in 2022. Additionally, from 2007 to 2019, Dr. McLaughlin was President and CEO of Tri-County Emergency Physicians.

Dr. McLaughlin graduated cum laude from Jefferson Medical College of Thomas Jefferson University, where he received his Doctor of Medicine, and he completed his Residency in Emergency Medicine at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital. He also holds an MBA from the University of Massachusetts. Dr. McLaughlin and his family have lived in Phoenixville for more than 25 years.

ABOUT PHOENIXVILLE HOSPITAL:

Located in Phoenixville, Pa., and a member of Tower Health, Phoenixville Hospital is a 144-bed facility that provides comprehensive medical services through emergency room visits, inpatient admissions, outpatient procedures and community outreach programs. Phoenixville Hospital's services include an award-winning cardiovascular program, a fully accredited cancer center, an NAPBC-accredited breast health center, an acute inpatient rehabilitation center, and a large robotic surgery center. Phoenixville Hospital is accredited by The Joint Commission and has been recognized for its quality outcomes and clinical expertise across services lines that include joint replacement surgery, advanced heart failure care, and the designation as a Primary Stroke Center. For more information, visit <u>phoenixville.towerhealth.org.</u>

ABOUT POTTSTOWN HOSPITAL:

Located in Pottstown, Pa., and a member of Tower Health, Pottstown Hospital is a 213-bed hospital that offers a full range of health services, including inpatient and outpatient, medical and surgical, and diagnostic and emergency care. Accredited by The Joint Commission, Pottstown Hospital has been recognized for its quality outcomes and clinical expertise across many service lines. The Hospital is Joint Commission-certified for hip and knee replacement and is also an accredited Chest Pain Center. Recently, Pottstown Hospital was recognized as a recipient of Get with the Guidelines/American Heart Association/American Stroke Association – Stroke Gold Plus Quality Achievement Award with Honor Roll Elite and Target: Type 2 Diabetes Honor Roll. The Cancer Center at Pottstown Hospital is also nationally recognized, bringing over a decade of award-winning care to our region. The Pottstown Hospital Emergency Department, a Primary Stroke Center, is the second busiest in Montgomery County, seeing more than 45,000 patients a year. For more information, visit pottstown.towerhealth.org.