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## **SAINT FRANCIS NAMES NICOLE SCHULZ VICE PRESIDENT OF OPERATIONS**

*(Hartford, CT – Feb. 19, 2015)* – Saint Francis Care has appointed Nicole Schulz to the position of Vice President of Operations. In her new role she will work to strengthen the operational foundation of the Hospital.

Schulz joined Saint Francis in 2006 as the director of revenue cycle and most recently served as the vice president of that same department, a position she has held since 2009. As vice president of revenue cycle, Schulz oversaw the Hospital's patient financial services, patient access, health information management, revenue integrity and managed care departments. She also served as an executive champion for both the ICD-10 and EpiCare electronic medical record implementation, computer and coding systems integral to information technology.

Prior to joining Saint Francis, Schulz worked for PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP, serving as manager within its healthcare consulting practice.

Schulz earned an M.B.A. with a concentration in healthcare management from Boston University Graduate School of Management. She is also a member of the Healthcare Financial Management Association.

### **About Saint Francis Care**

Saint Francis Care is an integrated healthcare delivery system established by Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center, an anchor institution in north central Connecticut since 1897. Licensed for 617 beds and 65 bassinets, it is a major teaching hospital and the largest Catholic hospital in New England. Other major entities of Saint Francis Care include The Mount Sinai Rehabilitation Hospital, the Connecticut Joint Replacement Institute, the Hoffman Heart and Vascular Institute of Connecticut, the Saint Francis/Mount Sinai Regional Cancer Center, the Joyce D. and Andrew J. Mandell Center for Comprehensive Multiple Sclerosis Care and Neuroscience Research, and Saint Francis HealthCare Partners. Johnson Memorial Medical Center, parent organization of Johnson Memorial Hospital, Evergreen Health Care Center, and Home and Community Health Services are also Saint Francis Care Partners. Saint Francis Care's services are supported by a network of five major Access Centers and eight additional medical office centers sited throughout the region. For more information, visit [www.stfranciscare.com](http://www.stfranciscare.com).