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**SAINT FRANCIS CARE PARTNER NAMES MARIA J. MCGUIRE
DIRECTOR OF LAB INFORMATION SYSTEMS**

(Hartford, CT, September 3, 2013) — Collaborative Laboratory Services, LLC. (CLS), a Saint Francis Care partner, has named Maria J. McGuire, a resident of Farmington, as Director of Lab Information Systems.

In this new role, McGuire will implement an automated specimen tracking system along with a system upgrade and state-of-the-art laboratory instrumentation implementation. As the project manager for all IS/IT projects with a laboratory component, McGuire works closely with all stakeholders to implement a new Hospital Information System (HIS).

“Maria is a knowledgeable healthcare professional with experience in laboratory services and application analysis, including anatomic pathology and hospital outreach services,” said Kathleen Luczyk, CLS, Chief Operating Officer.

Prior to her appointment as Director of Lab Information Systems, McGuire was Laboratory Information Systems Manager. During that time, McGuire and her team completed upgrades to hardware and applications, implemented a laboratory web-based portal for orders and results, implemented a Meaningful Use Module, and applied electronic orders and results to various physician practice electronic medical records (EMR).

McGuire joined Saint Francis after eight years as a Senior Application Specialist at Yale New Haven Health System/Greenwich Hospital, Greenwich. She earned a Master of Computer Science and Information Systems degree from Iona College, New Rochelle, NY.

CLS provides laboratory services for patients who visit any of 20 outreach patient service centers, for residents at over 60 long-term facilities and assisted living facilities, as well as patients who visit the Saint Francis or Mount Sinai Rehabilitation Hospital facilities and clinics. CLS performs over five million tests and more than 400,000 venipunctures annually.

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