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MAUREEN GETHINGS, RN, MSN, APPOINTED EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF SURGICAL SERVICES AT SAINT FRANCIS HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL CENTER

(HARTFORD, Conn. – December 22, 2015) Maureen Gethings, RN, MSN, a Wallingford resident, has been appointed Executive Director of Surgical Services at Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center, replacing Denise M. Peterson, who was recently promoted to Chief Nursing Officer.

In this position, Gethings will be responsible for operational and strategic oversight of perioperative services, endoscopy, pain management, hyperbaric/wound care, dental, preoperative center, and central sterile in conjunction with Steven T. Ruby, M.D., Service Line Physician Leader.

Gethings joined Saint Francis in 1995 as a nurse on medical/surgical and cardiac step-down units. Since that time, she has held a variety of nursing leadership roles including: charge nurse in endoscopy; operational team leader of Surgicare; nurse manager of the main and cardiovascular operating rooms; and director of the cardiovascular operating rooms, PACU and the Pain Management Center.

Most recently, Gethings has served as the Director of Perioperative Services. While in that position, she co-led the Value Analysis Committee and collaborated with Purchasing to implement significant cost saving strategies.

Gethings earned her Bachelor of Science in nursing at Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ, and her Master of Science at Sacred Heart University in Fairfield. She is a member of the Association of Perioperative Registered Nurses, Sigma Theta Tau International and the Connecticut Chapter of American Organization of Nurse Executives.

About Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center

Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center has been an anchor institution in north central Connecticut since 1897 and is now a member of Trinity Health - New England. Licensed for 617 beds and 65 bassinets, it is a major teaching hospital and the largest Catholic hospital in New England. Other Trinity Health - New England entities include Mount Sinai Rehabilitation Hospital, the Connecticut Joint Replacement Institute, the Hoffman Heart and Vascular Institute of Connecticut, Smilow Cancer Hospital Yale-New Haven at Saint Francis, the Joyce D. and Andrew J. Mandell Center for Comprehensive Multiple Sclerosis Care and Neuroscience Research, Saint Francis HealthCare Partners and Sisters of Providence Health System, Springfield, Mass, along with Johnson Memorial Hospital, and Home and Community Health Services. For more information, visit www.stfranciscare.com.