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**CHRISTINE CASTRO, D.O., JOINS SAINT FRANCIS**  
*Specialist in Rheumatology*

(HARTFORD, Conn. – July 10, 2013) – Christine Castro, D.O., a specialist in rheumatology, has joined the medical staff of Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center.

Dr. Castro received her medical degree from University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine, Biddeford, ME. Dr. Castro participated in a fellowship program at the National Institutes of Health, National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases, Bethesda, MD. She completed her internship and residency at Winthrop University Hospital, Mineola, NY.

Dr. Castro is board certified in rheumatology and internal medicine. She is a member of the Myositis Association and the American College of Rheumatology.

At Saint Francis, Dr. Castro is practicing as a member of the Saint Francis Medical Group.

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