



Trinity Health-New England

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**Trinity Health New England and Quinnipiac University  
Announce Primary Educational Affiliation**

*Program will offer health care students training at five hospitals*

(HARTFORD and NORTH HAVEN, Conn. - June 10, 2016) Trinity Health - New England and Quinnipiac University today announced the signing of a primary educational affiliation to train the next generation of health care providers to meet the health care needs of patients in Connecticut and Massachusetts.

Beginning in 2017, Trinity Health - New England hospitals will expand their existing partnership with Quinnipiac to include students enrolled at the Frank H. Netter MD School of Medicine, the School of Nursing and the School of Health Sciences at Quinnipiac University.

This affiliation will provide students with opportunities to complete their clinical rotations at any of Trinity Health - New England's

facilities in Connecticut and Massachusetts.

Trinity Health - New England's Regional Health Ministry includes Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center and Mount Sinai Rehabilitation Hospital in Hartford, Johnson Memorial Medical Center in Stafford Springs, and Sisters of Providence Health System, which includes Mercy Medical Center, in Springfield, Massachusetts. Saint Mary's Health System in Waterbury will also be a participating provider after the Office of Health Care Access approves Trinity Health - New England's Certificate of Need to include Saint Mary's in its regional health ministry. That approval is anticipated later this summer.

"This affiliation will ensure the robust development of an interprofessional workforce to care for the present and future health care needs of patients, families and communities across New England," said Steven T. Ruby, M.D., chief clinical officer at Hartford-based Trinity Health - New England. "We're excited about the opportunity to be the primary clinical partner with Quinnipiac to develop the next generation of health care providers."

"The partnership with Trinity Health - New England will support the educational programs in Quinnipiac's schools of medicine, nursing and health sciences, and provide our students with high-quality teachers, mentors and clinical facilities in which to learn," said [Bruce Koeppen](#), M.D. vice president of health affairs and founding dean of the [Frank H. Netter MD School of Medicine at Quinnipiac](#).

Trinity Health - New England hospitals have a long history of training health professionals from multiple educational institutions, including a strong commitment to providing clinical sites for students from the University of Connecticut School of Medicine. In addition, Saint Francis has been a training site for nursing, physician assistant and other health professional students from Quinnipiac for many years.

"Trinity Health - New England is a major high-quality organization that is experienced in educating the health care providers of the future and has a reputation for providing student and resident trainees with outstanding clinical experiences," said Richard Stahl, M.D., senior associate dean for strategic

relationships at the Frank H. Netter MD School of Medicine at Quinnipiac. “We greatly value this relationship and eagerly look forward to working with them.”

Trinity Health - New England joins St. Vincent’s Medical Center of Bridgeport as a major affiliate of Quinnipiac’s health professions schools. Quinnipiac also has affiliations with several other health care providers across the state, including Backus Hospital, Bridgeport Hospital, Bristol Hospital, Connecticut Children’s Medical Center, Connecticut Valley Hospital, Connecticut Veterans Home in Rocky Hill, Danbury Hospital, Fair Haven Community Health Center, Gaylord Specialty Healthcare, Griffin Hospital, Hartford Hospital, Hospital of Central Connecticut, Hospital for Special Care, Johnson Memorial Hospital, Jewish Senior Services, The Jewish Home, Lawrence & Memorial Hospital, Masonicare, MidState Medical Center, Middlesex Hospital, Norwalk Hospital, ProHealth Physicians, Saint Mary’s Hospital, Veterans Hospital in West Haven, Waterbury Hospital and Yale-New Haven Hospital. The university also is affiliated with many private-practice physicians across the state and health care organizations in several other states.

[The Frank H. Netter MD School of Medicine](#), [the School of Nursing](#) and [School of Health Sciences](#) are located in the **Center for Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences on Quinnipiac’s [North Haven Campus](#)**. **The three schools** are united not only in the same state-of-the-art complex but by the same mission: to graduate medical and health care practitioners who are the driving force for a more collaborative, economical and efficient health care system. In addition to training physicians and nurses, Quinnipiac’s health profession schools also offer degree programs in athletic training and sports medicine, biomedical sciences, diagnostic imaging, occupational therapy, physical therapy, physician assistant studies and social work. The School of Medicine also offers a program for anesthesiologist assistants.

**About Trinity Health - New England** Trinity Health - New England is an integrated health care delivery system formed in 2015 and is a member of Trinity Health, Livonia, MI, one of the largest multi-institutional Catholic health care delivery systems in the nation. Trinity Health - New England is comprised of Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center and Mount Sinai Rehabilitation Hospital and their entities in Hartford, Connecticut; Johnson Memorial Hospital, and Home and Community Health Services in Stafford Springs, Connecticut; and Sisters of Providence Health System and their entities in Springfield, Massachusetts. For more information, visit [www.stfranciscare.com](http://www.stfranciscare.com) [www.jmmc.com](http://www.jmmc.com) and [www.mercycares.com](http://www.mercycares.com)

### **About Quinnipiac University**

Quinnipiac is a private, coeducational, nonsectarian institution located 90 minutes north of New York City and two hours from Boston. The university enrolls 6,784 full-time undergraduate and 2,884 graduate and part-time students in 58 undergraduate and more than 20 graduate programs of study in its [School of Business and Engineering](#), [School of Communications](#), [School of Education](#), [School of Health Sciences](#), [School of Law](#), [Frank H. Netter MD School of Medicine](#), [School of Nursing](#) and [College of Arts and Sciences](#). Quinnipiac consistently ranks among the top regional universities in the North in U.S. News & World Report's America's "Best Colleges" issue. Quinnipiac also is recognized in Princeton Review's "The Best 380 Colleges." The Chronicle of Higher Education has named Quinnipiac among the "Great Colleges to Work For." For more information, please visit [www.quinnipiac.edu](http://www.quinnipiac.edu). Connect with Quinnipiac on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/quinnipiacuniversity](http://www.facebook.com/quinnipiacuniversity) and follow Quinnipiac on Twitter @QuinnipiacU.

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