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CHANDLER REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER'S WOUND HEALING AND HYPERBARIC OXYGEN CENTER RECEIVES RECOGNITION AT THE NATIONAL HEALING CORPORATION'S ANNUAL MEETING

CHANDLER, Ariz. (March 10, 2010) – Chandler Regional Medical Center, a member of Catholic Healthcare West (CHW), received three prestigious awards for their Wound Healing and Hyperbaric Oxygen Center at the National Healing Corporation's 2009 annual meeting. The National Healing Corporation has more than 150 centers in the United States and is an industry leader accounting for 30 percent of the nation's managed and outsourced wound healing centers.

Chandler Regional was recognized for having the Best Overall Wound Healing Outcomes of the Year. Brian Paterick, M.D., was honored as Medical Director of the Year, while Lisa Bashford, R.N., B.S.N., received honorable mention for Clinical Nurse Manager of the Year.

"It is an honor to be recognized by the National Healing Corporation for our efforts and devotion to providing the best care possible for our patients," said Terry Happel, M.D., chief medical officer for Chandler Regional and Mercy Gilbert Medical Centers. He notes that the greatest reward of all, however, is being able to make a difference in the lives of patients suffering from chronic wounds.

Located on Chandler Regional's campus, the Wound Healing and Hyperbaric Oxygen Center is the only center of its kind in Arizona, and one of 32 in the nation, to receive accreditation with distinction from the Undersea and Hyperbaric Medical Society, signifying the highest quality of hyperbaric medical care.

The Wound Healing and Hyperbaric Oxygen Center offers advanced therapies such as hyperbaric oxygen therapy in which patients are surrounded with 100 percent oxygen at higher than normal atmospheric pressure to increase the amount of oxygen in the blood and promote healing from the inside out. Likely candidates for treatment are those suffering from diabetic ulcers, pressure ulcers, infections, radiation injuries, compromised skin grafts and flaps and wounds that haven't healed within 30 days.

For more information, please call 480.728.3701, or visit ChandlerRegional.org.

About Chandler Regional Medical Center

Chandler Regional Medical Center is a 225-bed, acute-care, non-for-profit provider of emergency care, maternal child services, cardiovascular services, wound healing, cancer treatment, diabetes treatment, and diagnostic services. It is located at 475 S. Dobson Road (corner of Dobson Road and Frye Road) in Chandler. For more information, please visit www.chandlerregional.org or call 480.728.3000. Chandler Regional Medical Center is an Equal Opportunity Employer (EOE). For employment opportunities, please visit www.chwcareers.org/arizona. For information on physician referrals or community classes and support groups, please contact ResourceLink toll-free at 1.877.728.5414 or e-mail resourcelink@chw.edu.

About Catholic Healthcare West

Catholic Healthcare West (CHW), headquartered in San Francisco, Calif., is a system of 41 hospitals and medical centers in California, Arizona and Nevada. Founded in 1986, it is one of the nation's largest not-for-profit health care systems and the largest private hospital system in California. CHW is committed to delivering compassionate, high-quality, affordable healthcare services with special attention to the poor and underserved. The CHW network of nearly 10,000 physicians and approximately 54,000 employees provides health care services to more than five million people annually. In 2009, CHW provided nearly \$1.2 billion in charity care, community benefit, and unreimbursed patient care. CHW facilities in Arizona include Chandler Regional Medical Center, Mercy Gilbert Medical Center, St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center and Barrow Neurological Institute, CHW Urgent Cares in Ahwatukee, Gilbert and Queen Creek, Warner Outpatient Surgery and the Arizona Orthopedic Surgical Hospital. For more information, please visit our Web site at www.chwHEALTH.org.

About National Healing Corporation

Founded in 1996 and headquartered in Boca Raton, Fla., with offices in Tampa, Fla., and Louisville, Ky., National Healing Corporation provides management services and the latest technology and expertise in wound healing to its client hospitals to establish quality wound healing programs. The Joint Commission has awarded National Healing Disease-Specific Care Certification for wound care. Committed to health care compliance and best practice medicine, National Healing emphasizes these priorities in its extensive clinical and business training programs. The privately-held company accounts for 30 percent of all managed and outsourced wound centers in the United States. For more information, please visit www.nationalhealing.com.

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