

## Message from Our Leadership

Dear Friends of Saint Anthony Hospital,

When Saint Anthony Hospital separated from the country's largest Catholic health care system on July 1, 2009, we began charting a new course — one that would carve a path to even greater accomplishments while capitalizing on our 113-year history as a community hospital serving Chicago's West Side. In emancipating ourselves to become a freestanding, faith-based hospital, we worked alongside our supporters to fulfill a dream, a dream whose reality allows us to know, serve and connect with our community members at a higher level than ever before.

Titled "Building a Bridge to Community Wellness," this annual report goes behind the scenes of bridge building: What, exactly, is required to help secure "community wellness" for the hard-working people of the many diverse neighborhoods we proudly serve? As you are aware, there's much more to it than delivering high quality, personalized and cost-effective medical care — as essential as those components are. Our patients and other community members look to us to help connect them with many of life's other essentials, from the weekly support groups for new moms that help ensure strong and healthy families, to off-site screenings and health education, to classes that enable associates to obtain their GEDs.

Today's hospitals consider their relationships with patients to be partnerships. And just as we partner with individuals, we are simultaneously grateful for the sturdy alliances we enjoy with the many individuals and organizations that have nurtured and supported our efforts over the past year.

Our future is boundless. Despite a health care environment that tested even powerhouse players, we successfully grew our business during our first year as a freestanding hospital. As a safety net hospital serving those in greatest need, our challenges were many. Fortunately, our associates, physicians, board members, donors and elected officials continually cheered us on as we navigated new territories, discovering innovative ways to build the all-important bridges that lead to community wellness.

Special thanks goes out to two unparalleled leaders who demonstrated their belief in the "new" Saint Anthony Hospital in very public forums. First, we are honored that Mayor Richard M. Daley visited Saint Anthony Hospital in February to announce that our hospital was selected as the citywide mentor organization for 13 hospitals participating in the *School at Work Program*, a real distinction for a community hospital. Secondly, in the summer, we were graced by the presence of Cardinal Francis George. He marked our First Anniversary with a celebration Mass attended by more than 400 community members.

Looking around the corner to 2011, we wish you and your family a healthy, fruitful and peaceful New Year. Please join us as we continue to ensure that our patients and their families reap the full benefits of our commitment to "Building a Bridge to Community Wellness."

Thank you for your support. It's life changing to us and to those we serve.



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