

Pensioners Memo

TO: Singing River Health System Pensioners
FROM: Tiffany Murdock, CEO
DATE: Monday, March 27, 2023
RE: An Exciting Announcement About Our Future

Dear Singing River Health System Retiree,

I am writing to formally share with you that the Jackson County Board of Supervisors has taken an important and exciting step in our journey to find a like-minded healthcare organization to partner with that will help us face the ever-changing healthcare landscape and needs of our community.

Today, the Board of Supervisors (BOS) announced their selection. I am excited to share with you that this like-minded partner is the Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady Health System (FMOLHS), a leading healthcare innovator in Louisiana and Mississippi founded in 1911.

Our future with FMOLHS ensures that Singing River will be able to meet the needs of our employees, patients and community members. Together, we will build on the strong foundation Singing River has established since we first originated as Jackson County Hospital in 1931. FMOLHS is committed to ensuring our patients receive access to high-quality, accessible care. They also believe in keeping care local, investing in our community and investing in our people.

Our Goals

We believe that FMOLHS will allow us to achieve our long-term goals to ensure our patients receive the best care possible, including:

- **Provide care convenience by keeping and increasing medical services** and treatments close to home.
- **Remain a leader in providing the safest, leading-edge healthcare solutions**, while investing in hospital equipment and maintenance to keep up with evolving technology.
- **Offer equal access to care at a minimal cost**, regardless of a patient's ability to pay, ensuring the overall health, security and well-being of all our patients.
- **Make critical investments** in our staff, infrastructure and equipment.

What this Means for You

This announcement and our future with FMOLHS will not impact your pension. The pension will continue to be funded for current employees and our valued retirees as it is today.

Next Steps

Today's announcement marks the beginning of the next phase in the process. Both parties will engage immediately in this next phase and intend to complete the sale this fall.



Over the next few months, we will engage with FMOLHS to meet their team and learn more about them and their plans to support our employees, providers and community. We are eager to share more with you.

Our priority continues to be providing exceptional care to all those we serve, and we remain committed to keeping you informed. Please know that we don't have a lot of answers to many questions today but encourage you to visit www.singingriverforward.com to learn more and submit questions.

Sincerely,

Tiffany Murdock
CEO
Singing River Health System