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## Doug Strong Named Interim CEO of Holy Cross Hospital

Former CEO of University of Michigan Hospitals and Health Centers starts Oct 7 FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. – Doug Strong has been named Interim Chief Executive Officer of Holy Cross Hospital. He will work alongside Patrick Taylor, MD, MBA to transition the hospital until Dr. Taylor's October 30 departure.

Strong is the former CEO of the University of Michigan Hospitals and Health Centers (now called Michigan Medicine), where he led the system to become nationally known for excellence in quality and safety.

In a message to Holy Cross colleagues today, Holy Cross Board Chair Keith Koenig and Trinity Health President and CEO Mike Slubowski said, "Doug is a strategic leader and seasoned executive who has excellent physician relationship skills and broad experience in health care quality, safety, finance and operations."

Prior to his work in Michigan, Strong held senior executive positions at the University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine, the State University of New York Stony Brook School of Medicine, and the Saint Louis University School of Medicine. He received his MBA from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania and his MA in history from the University of Pennsylvania, and he received a BA from Franklin and Marshall College.

"Holy Cross has an outstanding legacy as a premier Catholic health care provider in its community, and I am excited about the opportunity to serve in this interim role with Holy Cross and Trinity Health," Strong said.

Strong will be living and working full-time in Fort Lauderdale while Trinity Health and the Holy Cross Hospital Board of Directors collaborate on a national search for a permanent CEO.

## **About Holy Cross Hospital**

A member of Trinity Health, Fort Lauderdale, FL-based Holy Cross Hospital is a full-service, non-profit, Catholic, teaching hospital operating in the spirit of the Sisters of Mercy. Holy Cross Hospital has been named one of the top five hospitals in the Miami metro area and one of the top 20 in the state in U.S. News and World Report's 2019-20 Best Hospital rankings. Through strategic collaborations and a commitment to being a person-centered, transforming, healing presence, the 557-bed hospital offers progressive inpatient, outpatient and community outreach services and clinical research trials to serve as our community's trusted health partner for life. To learn more about Holy Cross Hospital, visit holy-cross.com. Connect @holycrossfl.