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**Regional Health Acquires Toppenish Community Hospital  
and Yakima Regional Medical and Cardiac Center**

**Sunnyside, WA (August 31, 2017)** – Regional Health welcomes Toppenish Community Hospital and Yakima Regional Medical and Cardiac Center as they join Sunnyside Community Hospital to become members of Regional Health with the announcement of the closing of its long-awaited purchase of both hospitals.

“We’re pleased to add these valuable local hospitals to the Regional Health family and return both to non-profit status. They, along with Sunnyside Community Hospital, join us in our commitment to serving the people and families living and working throughout the Yakima Valley. The hospitals’ return to non-profit status will allow them to again directly reinvest back into both the communities and the healthcare infrastructure so needed in the region,” said John Gallagher, President and CEO, Regional Health. “Both Toppenish Community Hospital and Yakima Regional Medical and Cardiac Center have long and proud histories of serving their communities. We are pleased that, together, we will be able ensure that all three hospitals remain community focused and we are looking forward to a bright future for the Valley.”

With the acquisition of Toppenish Community Hospital and Yakima Regional Medical and Cardiac Center, Regional Health will have over 1,400 employees, 3 hospitals, 14 medical clinics and 24 specialty clinics located between the Tri-Cities and Yakima. It will be the largest healthcare delivery system based in Eastern Washington.

“The Yakima Valley is known for providing compassionate quality healthcare. Regional Health is committed to combining the knowledge and skill of our hospitals and clinics and strengthening them by ensuring they have the resources, technology and expertise they need,” says Gallagher. “We feel strongly that it is our responsibility to provide all Regional Health hospitals with the resources they need while bringing in some of the most highly trained and experienced practitioners from throughout the world. Regional Health is constantly striving to find new and better ways to care for patients, and this acquisition reflects that care philosophy.”

Patients will notice some changes in signage, websites and correspondence soon. But, they will continue to get the same great care from Yakima Regional Medical and Cardiac Center, Toppenish Community Hospitals and Sunnyside Community Hospital locations that they have always trusted.

“This is an important step for Regional Health as this acquisition helps fulfill Regional Health’s mission of providing the region with comprehensive quality care and advances our vision of becoming the regional comprehensive healthcare provider of choice. The system helps us deliver healthcare all along I-82 ensuring people have the care they need, close to where they live and work,” Gallagher said.

**About Regional Health**

The Regional Health system, headquartered in the heart of Yakima Valley in the state of Washington, is the parent non-profit organization of Sunnyside Community Hospital & Clinics. Regional Health is currently in the process of completing the purchase of Yakima Regional Medical & Cardiac Center located in Yakima, Washington and Toppenish Community Hospital in Toppenish, Washington.

Regional Health's leadership team has worked with some of the largest systems in the nation with dozens of successful hospital turnarounds throughout the country. Providing the expertise, know-how, processes and resources hospitals need, Regional Health ensures profitable growth and stability in today’s ever-changing healthcare environment

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