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California Hospice Network Expands into Sierra Foothills

October 25, 2023 – California Hospice Network (CHN), a strategic partnership committed to sustaining local nonprofit mission-driven hospice care in California, welcomes its newest member, Hospice of the Foothills of Nevada County. Along with members Hospice of Santa Cruz County, and YoloCares, Hospice of the Foothills is dedicated to providing exceptional, community-based patient care and end-of-life services.

Viv Tipton, CEO of Hospice of the Foothills, explains: "Hospice of the Foothills has an extensive track record of engaging with and supporting our community during their end-of-life journey. Our reputation is built on delivering personalized and exceptional care that surpasses the scope of our patients' insurance coverage. This collaboration ensures our unwavering capacity to provide such exceptional care well into the future."

Hospice of the Foothills began as an all-volunteer operation, providing services to communities in Nevada and Placer counties. Since its founding in 1979, Hospice of the Foothills has evolved from a small, all-volunteer operation to the professional, interdisciplinary care team of today, serving over 500 patients and families every year. In addition to providing hospice care, advance care planning, and grief support, Hospice of the Foothills continues to focus on outreach, collaboration, education, and forming partnerships with others in the community.

Hospice of the Foothills will continue to operate as a distinct and independent nonprofit hospice, while working together with CHN members to share best practices, enhance quality of care, and maximize operational efficiencies.

"We look forward to being part of CHN's clinically integrated palliative care program, exploring the centralized help desk solution they have created, and utilizing CHN's health care benefits package, as well as the many other opportunities that coming together brings to us," says Tipton.

"We are pleased to welcome Hospice of the Foothills to the California Hospice Network," said Michael Milward, CEO of CHN. "Working together, our members are stronger and better prepared for the opportunities and challenges ahead. With strategic and operational support from CHN, these local, community-based nonprofit hospices continue to operate independently while providing the exemplary end-of-life care their communities deserve."

CHN is focused on clinically integrating advanced illness and end-of-life care and developing a network-wide geographic footprint that serves a significant percentage of the California population. CHN is actively recruiting nonprofit hospice partners to join the network in order to

serve more families across the state and help ensure that Californians continue to have access to nonprofit, mission-driven, and community-based hospice care long into the future.

Together, CHN member hospices serve 11 counties stretching from the foothills of the Sacramento Valley to the Central Coast. They represent a collective workforce of nearly 300 employees and an equal number of professionally trained volunteers, and they serve more than 2,200 patients and families each year.

About California Hospice Network
California Hospice Network is a strategic partnership committed to sustaining local nonprofit community-based hospice care in California. The Network's member organizations -- Hospice of the Foothills, Hospice of Santa Cruz County, and YoloCares -- are each recognized as trusted leaders in the communities they have served for nearly 50 years. Aligned in their mission and values, Network members are working, sharing, and planning together to create stronger community-based hospices that deliver exceptional patient care and end-of-life services.

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