

CMC Healthcare System and Dartmouth-Hitchcock Health Announce Filing Amended Affiliation Documents with Attorney General's Office

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MANCHESTER, N.H. CMC Healthcare System (CMCHS) and Dartmouth-Hitchcock Health (DHH) announced today that they have filed amended affiliation documents with the New Hampshire Attorney General's Office for antitrust and charitable trust review. This follows approvals by the Dartmouth-Hitchcock Health Board of Trustees and CMC Healthcare System Board of Governors to proceed in this process.

From September through November 2009, both organizations hosted three community forums and met with numerous community, civic, religious and legislative audiences. Additionally, they jointly launched a Web site where all of the affiliation documents were made available for public review and comment. Based on community input received through these forums, meetings and Web site comments, amendments to the originally filed affiliation documents were adopted by the respective Boards.

Amended affiliation agreement documents were filed with the Attorney General's Office on Thursday, January 21, 2010. The amended documents have been posted to the Web site, AHealthierTomorrow.org and hard copies are available to the public. A complete list of where the hard copies have been placed has been provided to the Attorney General's Office as part of the filing and can be found on the Web site.

The Affiliation Agreement is subject to review by the state and the public pursuant to New Hampshire RSA 7:19-b (New Hampshire Director of Charitable Trusts under Change of Control provisions) and must receive state and federal antitrust approvals under both state law and the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act. Any final Affiliation Agreement is also subject to the review and final approval by the Bishop of Manchester.

It is expected there will be additional news regarding the review and approval process sometime late in the first quarter of 2010. For more information, continue to visit www.AHealthierTomorrow.org.

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