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**HENDRICKS REGIONAL HEALTH BOARD OF TRUSTEES NAMES  
DR. MICHELLE FENOUGHTY, MD, MBA, FACOG, AS PRESIDENT & CEO**

(DANVILLE, IN) – The Hendricks Regional Health Board of Trustees has named Dr. Michelle Fenoughty, MD, MBA, FACOG, as President & CEO, effective July 10, 2023.

"We are incredibly proud to announce Dr. Fenoughty as our next CEO," said Board Chair Erin Engels, JD. "This search process has confirmed what we already knew: Hendricks Regional Health is a patient-first, high-quality organization with a leadership bench that is deep, loyal and proven. I am thankful to my fellow trustees for their dedication and time to find the right leader for this new chapter in our unrelenting focus on remaining strong and independent."

Dr. Fenoughty was selected from over 40 candidates after an extensive search led by the Board of Trustees. As President & CEO, she will work with other members of the healthcare system's administration to define, monitor and achieve strategic goals, overseeing all functions of the organization, including community outreach, and serving as the liaison to the Board.

"I am honored and humbled by the opportunity to lead a place and a group of people that have meant so much to me for the last 21 years," said Dr. Fenoughty. "Hendricks is truly a second home to me. With a talented, compassionate medical staff and an experienced, focused leadership team in place, we will advance healthcare in west central Indiana and charter our path forward with courage, collaboration and innovation as our guiding principles."

Dr. Fenoughty is the fifth President & CEO to serve in this distinguished role, and the first woman and physician to lead the 61-year-old organization. She succeeds Kevin Speer, JD, who resigned in March to assume leadership of Ascension St. Vincent Indiana; Speer had led Hendricks since 2012. Chief Operating Officer and Chief Nursing Officer Yvonne Culpepper, DNP, MSN, RN, served in the interim.

Dr. Fenoughty has a unique, 360-degree view of healthcare brought by her executive leadership experience and nearly three decades as a practicing women's health physician. She began her career with Hendricks in 2002 as an OB/GYN with Westside Physicians for Women. She has held positions of increasing responsibility in medical affairs, including chair of the OB/Pediatrics committee from 2004 to 2011 and serving as Chief of Staff from 2011 to 2015. That same year, she was named Senior Vice President of Medical Affairs and Chief Medical Officer.

Her hallmark initiatives include the successful implementation of the Epic electronic medical record system, playing an integral part in the community's COVID-19 pandemic response, serving as the driving force behind the Hendricks collaboration with the Mayo Clinic Care Network and many notable quality and safety achievements.

“The Board believes that Dr. Fenoughty’s wealth of knowledge and experience will help Hendricks position itself for success in the coming years,” said Engels. “Her exceptional work with the medical staff and her capabilities in understanding the current and future challenges of the healthcare industry made her a highly desirable candidate. She has done an outstanding job as Chief Medical Officer and has developed strong relationships across our organization and in the community.”

Dr. Fenoughty graduated from the Southern Illinois University School of Medicine and completed OB/GYN residency training at Indiana University in Indianapolis. In addition, she earned a Business of Medicine Physician MBA through the Indiana University Kelley School of Business.

Dr. Fenoughty and her husband, Dr. Shawn Fenoughty, live in Hendricks County and are proud parents to Cullen and Erin.



*Members of the Hendricks Regional Health Board of Trustees congratulate Dr. Michelle Fenoughty on her new role as President & CEO. From left to right: Tim Whicker, Erin Engels, JD, Michelle Fenoughty, MD, Tyler Starkey, JD, John Waite. Not pictured: Mark Gentry, MD.*

#### **ABOUT HENDRICKS REGIONAL HEALTH**

Since 1962, Hendricks Regional Health has served west central Indiana as its preferred, trusted healthcare partner. With a deeply rooted legacy of community service, the Hendricks’ culture is built on our vision to be the community’s indispensable healthcare partner. As a nationally recognized, nonprofit healthcare system, we offer a full spectrum of primary care and specialty services. Hendricks is a proud member of the Mayo Clinic Care Network and was named a 2022 Top Teaching Hospital by The Leapfrog Group. Follow us on Twitter and Instagram @HendricksHealth, Facebook @Hendricks.org, or visit Hendricks.org.

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