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\$1 Million Gift from AstraZeneca Supports Christiana Care's Wilmington Hospital Transformation Project

(WILMINGTON, Del. – July 21) Christiana Care Health System announced today that it will dedicate Wilmington Hospital's new atrium to AstraZeneca during a ribbon-cutting ceremony Tuesday, July 22nd, from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. AstraZeneca supported the Wilmington Hospital Transformation Project, designed to advance patient and family centered care, with a \$1 million gift to the hospital in 2010.

"We are thankful to philanthropic partners like AstraZeneca for helping us transform the Wilmington Hospital campus so we can serve our neighbors in Wilmington and the surrounding region," said Robert J. Laskowski, M.D., MBA, president and CEO, Christiana Care. "AstraZeneca's generous investment enables us to provide more access to care and greater value for our patients."

With a waterfall fountain set amid lush indoor garden beds and a soaring, skylit atrium, the parklike setting serves as a new main entryway for Christiana Care patients, family and employees. It provides patients and their families with easy access to the new Wilmington Hospital Health Center, a full-service health care provider offering wellness and preventive health care visits for patients of all ages, as well as the Gateway Building, a 51,000-square-foot medical office building that allows doctors to practice onsite. Both the Wilmington Hospital Health Center and the Gateway Building will open in the fall.

The atrium also connects to Wilmington Hospital's new outdoor Healing Garden and the First State School, one of only three hospital-based schools in the nation for students with serious illnesses.

"AstraZeneca is dedicated to building strong, healthy communities across the state of Delaware and nationwide," said Paul Hudson, president, AstraZeneca U.S. and executive vice president, North America. "Christiana Care shares in this commitment, and we're pleased to support the expansion of its outstanding hospital system, which supports a patient-centered culture and delivers critical health resources to our community every day."

The re-design and transformation of Christiana Care's Wilmington Hospital began with construction in 2009. Improvements to Wilmington Hospital include:

- A new Main Lobby that provides a more accessible and welcoming entrance for patients and visitors
- An expanded Emergency Department with state-of-the-science treatment rooms to handle complex patient needs
- An upgraded 30-bed unit for the Center for Advanced Joint Replacement
- A new intensive care unit
- 13 larger, technologically advanced operating rooms in the new surgical suite

Upon completion of the project next spring, the re-designed Wilmington Hospital will have expanded by 337,000 square feet, creating a 1 million-square-foot, state-of-the-science facility including a 9-story tower, an Emergency Department double its current size and a café.

Throughout the construction, Christiana Care's Wilmington Hospital Campus has remained completely operational, providing full services and care to patients and their loved ones.

The Wilmington Hospital Campus has served the community for nearly 125 years, meeting the diverse medical needs of the city and surrounding region.

About AstraZeneca

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About Christiana Care Health System

Christiana Care Health System is one of the country's largest health care providers, ranking as the 22nd leading hospital in the nation and 12th on the East Coast in terms of admissions. A not-for-profit teaching hospital affiliated with Thomas Jefferson Medical College, Christiana Care is recognized as a regional center for excellence in cardiology, cancer and women's health services. Christiana Care is home to Delaware's only Level I trauma center, the highest capability center and the only one of its kind between Philadelphia and Baltimore. Christiana Care also features a Level 3 neonatal intensive care unit, the only delivering hospital in Delaware that offers the highest level of non-surgical care to the most critically ill newborns. Christiana Care includes two hospitals with 1,100 patient beds, a home health care service, preventive medicine, rehabilitation services, a network of primary care physicians and an extensive range of outpatient services.

For more information about Christiana Care, visit www.christianacare.org/whoweare.