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**Christiana Care Health System Hosts Inaugural Robert J. Laskowski, M.D.  
Lectureship**

**WHAT:** Inaugural Robert J. Laskowski, M.D. Lectureship

**WHEN:** Thursday, Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

**WHERE:** Christiana Hospital's John H. Ammon Medical Education Center at 4755 Ogletown-Stanton Rd., Newark, Del.

**WHO:**

- Keynote speaker Bruce Siegel, M.D., MPH, president and CEO of America's Essential Hospitals.
- Bettina Tweardy Riveros, chief health equity officer and senior vice president of Government Affairs and Community Engagement at Christiana Care.
- LeRoi S. Hicks, M.D., MPH, FACP, Hugh R. Sharp Jr. Chair of Medicine and physician leader of the Acute Medicine Service Line at Christiana Care.
- Lolita A. Lopez, FACHE, president and CEO of Westside Family Healthcare.

**WHY:** The Inaugural Robert J. Laskowski, M.D. Lectureship focuses on how communities can achieve health equity by addressing the social determinants of health. Named after Christiana Care's former president and CEO and immediate past chair of the Association of American Medical Colleges, the Robert J. Laskowski, M.D. Lectureship honors leadership in value in health care through research, policy, education, advocacy and clinical advancement. The inaugural lectureship features keynote speaker Dr. Bruce Siegel of America's Essential Hospitals, the nation's leading association and champion for hospitals and health systems dedicated to high-quality care for all, including the vulnerable. Journalists who would like to attend this event can contact Christiana Care's Senior Manager of Media Relations Hiran Ratnayake at (302) 327-3327 or [hkratnayake@christianacare.org](mailto:hkratnayake@christianacare.org).

## **About Christiana Care Health System**

Christiana Care Health System is one of the country's largest health care systems, ranking as the 22nd leading hospital in the nation and 11th on the East Coast in terms of admissions. The health system includes The Medical Group of Christiana Care, a network of primary care physicians, medical and surgical specialists as well as home health care, preventive medicine, rehabilitation services and patient/family advisors for core health care services. A not-for-profit teaching hospital affiliated with Sidney Kimmel Medical College at Thomas Jefferson University, Christiana Care is recognized as a regional center for excellence in cardiology, cancer and women's health services. Christiana Care has an extensive range of outpatient services and works closely with its medical staff to achieve better health, better access to care and lower cost. 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 features a Level III neonatal intensive care unit, the only delivering hospital in Delaware that offers this highest level of care to the most critically ill newborns. Christiana Care includes two hospitals with 1,100 patient beds.

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