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MEDIA ADVISORY**Topping Out Ceremony: New Center for Women & Children's Health at
Christiana Care Celebrates a Big Step Toward Its 2020 Due Date**

WHAT: Marking a major milestone, the final steel beam for the new Center for Women & Children's Health at Christiana Care Health System will swing into place during a special topping out celebration. The Center will open at Christiana Hospital in Newark, Del., in 2020.

In a traditional construction ceremony, beams with an American flag, a Christiana Care flag and an evergreen tree will be placed atop the building to signify that the structure has reached its highest point.

President and CEO Janice E. Nevin, M.D., MPH, will mark the occasion with Women & Children's service line leaders, patient and family advisers and Lt. Gov. Bethany Hall-Long.

WHEN: Wednesday, August 15, 2 to 3 p.m.

2 – 2:30 p.m. Guests invited to sign the final beam.

2:30 – 3 p.m. Welcome and remarks by:

- Janice E. Nevin, M.D., MPH, Christiana Care president and CEO
- Sharon Kurfuerst, Ed.D., chief operating officer, Christiana Care
- David Paul, M.D., chair of pediatrics and Women & Children's service line leader, Christiana Care
- Matthew Hoffman, M.D., Marie E. Pinizzotto, M.D., Endowed Chair of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Christiana Care
- Lt. Gov. Bethany Hall-Long
- Jason Malin, project manager, Skanska

3 – 3:05 p.m. Installment of the final beam

3:05 – 3:30 Final remarks and media interview opportunities

WHERE: Christiana Hospital campus, Center for Women & Children’s Health, 4755 Ogletown-Stanton Road, Newark, Del. Media may park in the patient and visitor parking garage and follow signs to the event outside the Women & Children’s building.

About the Center for Women & Children’s Health at Christiana Care

Designed in partnership with Christiana Care health care leaders and patients and families by the architectural firm HKS, and built by Skanska, the Center for Women & Children’s Health will feature:

- The only neonatal intensive care unit (NICU) in the region with innovative couplet care, keeping moms and babies together in private rooms that also offer sleep-in space for families.
- A welcoming, family-friendly environment, including a tranquil family rooftop garden.
- Intimately appointed labor and delivery suites.
- A comfortable labor lounge.
- Spacious private maternity rooms.
- Expanded continuing care nursery for babies with special needs.

The new center will adjoin the current two-story Women & Children’s building, also being renovated to create a seamless experience.

Christiana Care delivers more than 6,000 babies a year, the highest number of any health care provider in Delaware. Christiana Care is also the state’s sole high-risk delivering hospital with a Level III NICU.

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

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