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### **CHRISTUS Medical Group Transfers Ownership of Southwest Community Health Center to Legacy Community Health Services**

**Houston** — Earlier this month, CHRISTUS Medical Group transferred ownership of the Southwest Community Health Center to Legacy Community Health Services, who will continue to operate the clinic as a community health center. In keeping with the 18-year legacy and mission of the Southwest Community Health Center, Legacy will provide healthcare services for families in the Gulfton neighborhood and surrounding areas of Southwest Houston.

“This is such an exciting opportunity for us,” says Katy Caldwell, Executive Director of Legacy Community Health Services. “CHRISTUS has established a premier healthcare facility in the heart of one of the most underserved and densely populated areas of Houston. To continue providing quality medical and social services to the residents of this community is a great privilege.”

Making this switch will allow the clinic to increase its current healthcare services and provide more people with more services. Legacy’s Southwest Clinic, as it will be called, will provide the same high level of quality, compassionate healthcare services to community members of all income levels.

“CHRISTUS Health is excited about the transition to an organization such as Legacy which has the resources and ability to strengthen and expand the quality services to a population so in need,” says Donna Mikulecky, President at CHRISTUS Medical Group. “Making this switch will allow the center to increase its current activities and serve more people with more services. The clinic will provide the same high level of quality, compassionate health care services, regardless of a patient’s ability to pay.”

The Southwest Clinic will continue to serve community members through a variety of programs including pediatrics, obstetrics/gynecology, family-practice medicine, flu shots and immunizations, health exams, screening and care for diabetes, health education and social services. Legacy will add mental health services, including psychiatry and counseling, to the continuum of care services offered at the clinic.

Other important social and educational services provided by the health center—like those through the Family Roads and Literacy Center programs—will be continued by the new owners in support of the health center’s long-standing mission. Legacy’s Southwest Clinic will connect patients of all ages with the health and human service resources they need, ranging from language and health education classes to assistance with life skills.

In keeping with the CHRISTUS mission, Legacy Community Health Services is committed to serving a diverse community including community members who have traditionally faced problems accessing quality healthcare. All patients will continue to find the same compassionate, comfortable care in a medical home designed to meet their unique needs.

**Legacy Community Health Services** is a full-service, Federally Qualified Health Center that provides comprehensive, primary healthcare services to all Houstonians in a culturally sensitive, judgment-free and confidential environment. Generous financial support from individuals, businesses and charitable foundations allows Legacy to provide no-cost or low-cost healthcare services to over 20,000 men, women and children each year. [www.legacycommunityhealth.org](http://www.legacycommunityhealth.org)

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