



## A message from

Nannette Mickiewicz, MD, President and CEO of Dominican Hospital, and Janet Capone, OP, Chair of the Dignity Health Dominican Hospital Community Board.

Dignity Health's comprehensive approach to community health improvement aims to address significant health needs identified in the Community Health Needs Assessments that we conduct with community input, including from the local public health department. Our multi-pronged initiatives to improve community health include financial assistance for those unable to afford medically necessary care, a range prevention and health improvement programs conducted by the hospital and with community partners, and investing in efforts that address social determinants of health.

Dominican Hospital shares a commitment to improve the health of our community, and delivers programs and services to achieve that goal. The Community Benefit 2016 Report and 2017 Plan describes much of this work. This report meets requirements of not-for-profit hospitals in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to adopt a community health Implementation Strategy at least every three years, and in California state law (Senate Bill 697) to produce an annual community benefit report and plan. Dignity Health complies with both mandates in all of its hospitals, including those in Arizona and Nevada. We are proud of the outstanding programs, services and other community benefits our hospital delivers, and are pleased to report to our community.

In fiscal year 2016 (FY16), Dominican Hospital provided \$41,527,000 in patient financial assistance, unreimbursed costs of Medicaid, community health improvement services, and other community benefits. Including the unreimbursed costs of caring for patients covered by Medicare, the hospital's total community benefit expense was \$85,393,059.

Dignity Health's Dominican Hospital Board of Directors reviewed, approved and adopted the Community Benefit 2016 Report and 2017 Plan at its September 28, 2016 meeting.

Thank you for taking the time to review our report and plan. If you have any questions, please contact us (831) 462-7700.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nannette" followed by a stylized flourish.

Nannette Mickiewicz, President/CEO

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Janet Capone, Chairperson, Board of Directors