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### Mission

*St. Anthony is inspired by faith and committed to excellence.*

*We are dedicated to improving the health of the people we serve.*

*We will lead in providing high quality, high value healthcare services responsive to the needs of our patients and the region.*

*We are committed to the health ministry of our sponsors, St. Anthony Ministries.*

### Vision

*As a faith-based regional provider, St. Anthony will continue to be the recognized leader in mission focus, quality care and fiscal strength in Iowa.*

### Mantra

*Health, Healing and Hope*

## St. Anthony Home Health Named as a Top Agency in the 2018 ABILITY HomeCare Elite

St. Anthony Home Health has been named a Top Agency of the 2018 HomeCare Elite, a recognition of the top-performing home health agencies in the United States. For 13 years, HomeCare Elite has annually identified the top 25 percent of Medicare-certified agencies and highlighted the top 100 and top 500 agencies overall.



The ranking is developed by ABILITY® Network, a leading information technology company helping providers and payers simplify the administrative and clinical complexities of healthcare. It is sponsored by DecisionHealth, publisher of Home Health Line and the Complete Home Health ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Coding Manual.

Karen Timm, Vice President of Patient Services credits the St. Anthony Home Health staff and their highly skilled, professional and compassionate care as the agency's ability to achieve recognition as one of the HomeCare Elite. "St. Anthony Home Health staff goes above and beyond to provide excellent care to our patients," said Marcia Schaefer, Director.

HomeCare Elite agencies are determined by an analysis of performance measures in quality outcomes, best practices implementation, patient experience (HHCAHPS), quality improvement and consistency, and financial health. In order to be considered, an agency must be Medicare-certified and have data for at least three outcomes in Home Health Compare. Out of 8,898 agencies considered, 2,223 are recognized on the 2018 HomeCare Elite winners list overall.

## St. Anthony Home Health Also Named as Prestigious HHCAHPS Honors Recipient

St. Anthony Home Health has also been named a 2018 HHCAHPS Honors recipient by HEALTHCAREfirst, a leading provider of web-based home health and hospice software, billing and coding services, CAHPS surveys, and advanced analytics. This prestigious annual review recognizes agencies that continuously provide a positive patient experience and high quality care as measured from the patient's point of view. It acknowledges the highest performing agencies by analyzing the performance of the Home Health Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (HHCAHPS) survey satisfaction measures.

## HHCAHPS HONORS

HHCAHPS Honors acknowledges the highest performing agencies by analyzing performance on the "Willingness to Recommend" question as a qualifier and then analyzing performance on 18 other questions that comprise the publicly reported measures from April 2017 through March 2018. HHCAHPS Honors recipients include agencies scoring above the HEALTHCAREfirst National Average on at least 85% of the evaluated questions. HEALTHCAREfirst holds a special recognition, HHCAHPS Honors Elite, to recognize home health agencies scoring above the HEALTHCAREfirst National Average on 100% of the evaluated questions.

Employee Benefits Fair  
Wednesday, November 14th  
9:30 am to 2:30 pm  
4th Floor Surgery Center Breakout Area  
(Right off the Elevators)



This is a time for you to pick up your Christmas Club check, enroll in a Rec Center membership, fill out your FLEX spending form, change your retirement, sign up for Wellness At Work, make a donation to the annual Employee Giving Campaign and many other things!



**Informational Employee Giving Campaign** meetings will also be held in St. Anthony Room. The names of those attending will be drawn for prizes! Join us for half-hour sessions at 9 am, 11 am, 2:30 pm and 5 pm. *If you can't come during the Benefit Fair, other meetings will be held on Thursday, Nov. 15 at 10 am; Friday, Nov. 16 at 11:30 am; Monday, Nov. 19 at 1:30 pm, and Wednesday, Nov. 21 at 7:30 am. Watch your email and the message boards for more details.*

*Remembering Our Loved Ones During the Christmas Season*

St. Anthony Regional Hospital and Nursing Home employees are invited to donate \$20.00 towards the purchase of a Christmas themed floral arrangement in honor of a loved one.

Your loved one(s) will be remembered throughout the Christmas season at the daily mass offered in the Nursing Home Chapel, and the flowers will be used in to create a prayerful, eloquent environment for the holy season.

To order, please contact Chaplain Angelo, by November 9th at extension 5680 or email [aluis@stanthonyhospital.org](mailto:aluis@stanthonyhospital.org). Be sure to give him the name of your loved one.



*Tree of Love Ornaments*

The annual ornament fundraiser for St. Anthony Hospice honors loved ones, living or deceased. This year's ornament is *Dance for Joy*

Order forms are available in the Coffee Shop, Home Care/Hospice office in the Luke Building, or by calling the Hospice office at 794-5279.



*A \$5.00 donation per ornament is requested.*

Orders must be received before Thursday, Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> to be included in the dedication ceremony taking place on Sunday, Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm in the Atrium.

Ornaments will continue to be added to the trees until Christmas. Ornaments can be picked up on the day of the ceremony.

**WELCOME**

**New Employees**

Christopher Josko– Rehab Services

**Our Condolences to:**

Joan Wittrock (SDS) for the loss of her brother.  
Nicole Hayworth (Anesthesia) for the loss of her uncle.



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