News Release

Encompass Health Announces Preliminary Plans to Build a 50-bed Inpatient Rehabilitation Hospital in Wesley Chapel

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BIRMINGHAM, Ala. and WESLEY CHAPEL, Fla., Nov. 4, 2024 /PRNewswire/ -- Encompass Health Corp. (NYSE: EHC) today announced preliminary plans to build a freestanding, 50-bed inpatient rehabilitation hospital in the master planned community of Wiregrass Ranch in Wesley Chapel, Florida.

The hospital will serve patients recovering from debilitating illnesses and injuries, including strokes and other neurological disorders, brain injuries, spinal cord injuries, amputations and complex orthopedic conditions. In addition to 24-hour nursing care, the hospital will offer physical, occupational and speech therapies to restore functional ability and quality of life. Care will be provided by highly specialized nurses, therapists and physicians.

The hospital will feature private patient rooms, a spacious therapy gym with advanced rehabilitation technologies and an activities of daily living suite, in-house dialysis suite, dining room, pharmacy and therapy courtyard.

"We are excited to bring inpatient rehabilitation services to Wesley Chapel and surrounding communities," said Lori Bedard, president of Encompass Health's Southeast region. "The hospital will provide high-quality, compassionate and individualized care close to home, helping patients regain the strength and function needed to return to the community at their highest level of independence."

The hospital, expected to open in 2027, will be part of Encompass Health's national network of rehabilitation hospitals and its ongoing expansion in Florida.

About Encompass Health

Encompass Health (NYSE: EHC) is the largest owner and operator of rehabilitation hospitals in the United States.

With a national footprint that includes 165 hospitals in 38 states and Puerto Rico, the Company provides high-quality, compassionate rehabilitative care for patients recovering from a major injury or illness, using advanced technology and innovative treatments to maximize recovery. Encompass Health is ranked as one of Fortune's World's Most Admired Companies and Becker's Hospital Review's 150 Top Places to Work in Healthcare. For more information, visit **encompasshealth.com**, or follow us on our **newsroom**, **Twitter**, **Instagram** and **Facebook**.

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