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University of New Mexico Medical Group, Inc. Signs Letter of Intent with Legacy Hospital Partners, Inc.
New Hospital in Sandoval County

ALBUQUERQUE, NM and PLANO, TX (May 29, 2008)- The board of directors of the University of New Mexico Medical Group, Inc. (UNMMG) has announced that it has signed a letter of intent to negotiate exclusively with Legacy Hospital Partners, Inc. (LHP) to build a new acute care teaching hospital in Sandoval County. The new facility will be located west of the Rio Grande River. The preferred site for the project is on the new UNM campus in Rio Rancho, NM, assuming all site requirements can be satisfactorily resolved.

“This is an important day for the University of New Mexico Medical Group. It is the beginning of a process to increase local access to high quality healthcare for the people of Sandoval County. This facility will also serve an integral role in helping us achieve our academic goals and our mission to continue to train the next generation of New Mexico healthcare professionals,” said Paul Roth, MD, Executive Vice President for Health Sciences of the University of New Mexico and Chairman of the Board, President and CEO, UNMMG. “After diligently examining our strategic options as to how we could meet the healthcare needs of the ever growing population in Sandoval County, it was clear to us that Legacy Hospital Partners, Inc. was the best choice. They share our values and are committed to providing the kind of quality healthcare that the University is known for and the people deserve. This will be a true community hospital and our doors will be open to all the people of the region who need care.”

Roth added, “I look forward to working with the Sandoval County Commission, Mayor Swisstack, members of the state legislature and planning and community groups to make sure we build a teaching facility that will serve all the people for generations to come. I want to personally thank Mayor Tom Swisstack and Debbie Hayes, Sandoval County

Manager, for their commitment to working with us to bring this project to completion in the most cost effective, timely manner to meet all our needs.”

Dr. David J. Schmidly, President of the University of New Mexico, added, “We are very pleased to be working with individuals who have a successful track record in New Mexico and share our dedication to providing the highest quality service to the community. This will become a center for learning for our healthcare professionals, nurses and doctors. It is an exciting time for UNM and the beginning of our strong partnership with Legacy Hospital Partners, the city of Rio Rancho and Sandoval County.”

James D. Shelton, LHP Chairman of the Board, said, “We are honored to have been selected by the University of New Mexico Medical Group. This is a very exciting, innovative project that will bring a community hospital to a growing region. It is our privilege to be associated with such a distinguished group of physicians and an outstanding university.”

Dan Moen, LHP CEO, commented, “We are anxious to begin working with both the physicians of UNMMG and other private physicians in the community who are interested in becoming a part of this project. We anticipate that it will take 18-24 months to complete the hospital construction after all regulatory approvals have been received. This is a great opportunity for Legacy Hospital Partners to bring our experience in collaborating and partnering with physicians and the community to the table with an outstanding partner like UNMMG.”

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About the University of New Mexico Medical Group, Inc.

UNM Medical Group, Inc. (UNMMG) is the practice plan organization for physicians and other medical providers associated with the University of New Mexico Health Sciences Center. UNMMG's mission is to provide a flexible and responsive physician organization that facilitates and supports clinician practices, in order to promote the social welfare of New Mexico through the advancement of healthcare. For more information about UNMMG or the UNM Health Sciences Center, please visit our web site at <http://hsc.unm.edu/unmmg/>.

About Legacy Hospital Partners, Inc.

Legacy Hospital Partners, Inc. is a privately held company established in January 2008 to own, operate and manage acute care hospitals in small cities and select urban markets throughout the United States. Headquartered in Plano, Texas, Legacy is owned by affiliates of private equity firm CCMP Capital Advisors, LLC and the Canada Pension Plan Investment Board as well as members of management. For more information, visit www.legacyhospitalpartners.com.