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Toronto Academic Health Science Network Welcomes Humber River Hospital and Scarborough Health Network

The Toronto Academic Health Science Network (TAHSN) are delighted to announce the addition of Humber River Hospital and Scarborough Health Network as members.

Over the past 18 months, both organizations have provided exceptional leadership, in collaboration with TAHSN member institutions, in addressing the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic. Their efforts have helped to ensure quality patient care and ongoing education of health professionals in Toronto.

"Humber River Hospital and Scarborough Health Network have demonstrated a clear commitment to TAHSN's academic mission of excellence in care, health professions education, and innovation. We are thrilled to have these hospitals join TAHSN, enabling further collaboration and alignment across our academic network in the Greater Toronto Area" shared, Dr. Gary Newton, Chair of TAHSN and President & CEO of Sinai Health.

"Scarborough Health Network and TAHSN have a shared commitment to health education, to growing capacity in research, and to health system innovation. We are excited to be a member of TAHSN, and to bring our focus on community health, health equity, and population health research in diverse communities to the network's academic and research collaborations broad contribution to healthcare innovation" said Elizabeth Buller, President and CEO of Scarborough Health Network.

"Humber River Hospital is pleased to be invited to be a member of TAHSN. As Canada's first digital hospital, innovation and a commitment to research and academic excellence are a core part of our operations. The pandemic has clearly demonstrated the strength of health sector partnerships to achieve common goals. We look forward to the opportunity to contribute to and learn from other TASHN member hospitals and to collectively work towards improved health outcomes for our patients and broader community." said Barb Collins, President and CEO of Humber River Hospital.

As part of membership, both organizations have committed to strengthening their existing affiliation relationship with the University of Toronto, and will work with the University in the coming year to achieve associate affiliation with the University of Toronto.

About Humber River Hospital

Humber River Hospital is one of Canada's largest regional acute care hospitals, serving more than 850,000 people in the northwest GTA. Canada's first fully digital hospital, Humber provides both in-patient and out-patient care, including cancer, cardiac and critical care, emergency services, dialysis, bariatric surgical services, women's and children services, diabetes and mental health programs. Humber oversees the operation of 1100 beds, including more than 400 Reactivation Care beds the hospital manages in its two Reactivation Care Centres.

About Scarborough Health Network

Scarborough Health Network (SHN) is made up of three hospitals and eight satellite sites that serve one of Canada's most diverse communities. SHN is shaping the future of care by working with our community partners to deliver equitable quality health care across Scarborough. Our programs and services are designed around the

needs of one of Canada's most vibrant communities. We are home to North America's largest nephrology program, as well as the designated cardiac care and spine centre for Scarborough and surrounding communities to the east. We are proud to be a community-affiliated teaching site for the University of Toronto and partner with a number of other universities and colleges, helping to train the next generation of health care professionals.

About Toronto Academic Health Science Network

The Toronto Academic Health Science Network (TAHSN) is a dynamic network of academic health organizations providing leading edge research, teaching and clinical care. TAHSN serves as a leader in Canadian healthcare and is one of the largest, most productive academic health centres in North America as evidenced on a number of dimensions including academic standing, research activity/output, visionary collaboration and contribution to healthcare innovation. TAHSN is comprised of the University of Toronto and its full and associate affiliated academic hospitals, each of which hold national and international standing as leaders in their particular fields.

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