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### **Frederick Health Announces International Security Designation**

**Frederick, MD – October 30, 2023** Frederick Health is pleased to announce that its Public Safety department was designated as a Security Program of Distinction by the International Association of Healthcare Safety and Security (IAHSS). IAHSS is an international security organization that is focused on the unique challenges and environments of healthcare safety.

This prestigious designation is awarded to specific healthcare security departments for their implementation of significant training protocols, certification, competency, and meeting certain benchmarks. This designation reflects Frederick Health's commitment to a safe and secure environment for patients, visitors, and team members.

As the fastest growing county in Maryland, Frederick Health has one of the busiest hospitals in the state. This additional volume has prompted the adoption of increased security protocols.

"We have implemented significant changes at Frederick Health to further our focus on providing a safer environment for care," said David Cornelius, Director of Public Safety with Frederick Health.

Currently, the Public Safety department at Frederick Health is the only security team in the state of Maryland to earn the IAHSS designation.

"Achieving this designation demonstrates our commitment to safety and security. It also reflects the professionalism of our Public Safety team and their dedication to continued education and rigorous training," Cornelius added.

#### **About Frederick Health**

Frederick Health provides comprehensive healthcare services to the residents of Frederick County. The system includes Frederick Health Hospital, Frederick Health Medical Group, Frederick Health Employer Solutions, Frederick Health Home Care, and Frederick Health Hospice. Frederick Health Medical Group is a multi-specialty practice with more than 100 providers, 22 specialties and 25 locations across the county. The system has several ambulatory care locations, the freestanding James M Stockman Cancer Institute, four urgent care locations, and the Frederick Health Village. With 4,000 team members, Frederick Health provides a full spectrum of healthcare and wellness services to support its mission to positively impact the well-being of every individual in our community.

For more information on Frederick Health, visit [www.frederickhealth.org](http://www.frederickhealth.org)