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**Mercy College Partners with the Suburban Hospital Alliance**

**Dobbs Ferry, N.Y. – December 5, 2013-** Mercy College is pleased to announce a partnership with the Suburban Hospital Alliance of New York State, LLC. The partnership will allow employees of Suburban Hospital Alliance member hospitals a 15% discount on all undergraduate and graduate classes at Mercy College. The Suburban Hospital Alliance represents hospitals in Westchester, Putnam, Rockland, Orange, Dutchess, Sullivan, Ulster, Nassau and Suffolk Counties.

School of Health and Natural Sciences Dean Joan Toglia said: "Mercy is excited to partner with the Suburban Hospital Alliance and open the world of education to all employees at participating hospitals. Healthcare is the largest economic engine in the region and Mercy College is committed to do what it can to prepare healthcare providers."

The Suburban Hospital Alliance President and CEO Kevin Dahill said: "The current focus is to encourage practicing RNs and those who might be considering nursing as a career to at least obtain their bachelor's degree in nursing and even to go one step further and obtain their master's degree. Further, the changing dynamics of health care delivery and payment require a highly-skilled and educated workforce that can render quality care that ranges from the more routine preventive type to the more complex, acute level of services. This is why we are pleased to announce an agreement with Mercy College to offer a discount to all employees of the Suburban Hospital Alliance member hospitals."

**Dutchess County**

- Northern Dutchess Hospital
- St. Francis Hospital
- Vassar Brothers Medical Center

**Orange County**

- Bon Secours Community Hospital
- Keller Army Community Hospital
- Orange Regional Medical Center
- St. Anthony Community Hospital
- St. Luke's Cornwall Hospital

**Putnam County**

- Putnam Hospital Center

**Rockland County**

- Good Samaritan Hospital
- Helen Hayes Hospital

#### Sullivan County

- Catskill Regional Medical Center

#### Ulster County

- HealthAlliance of Hudson Valley St. Mary's Avenue Campus
- Ellenville Regional Hospital
- Health Alliance of Hudson Valley Broadway Campus

#### Westchester County

- Blythedale Children's Hospital
- Burke Rehabilitation Hospital
- Hudson Valley Hospital Center
- Lawrence Hospital Center
- Montefiore Mount Vernon Hospital
- The New York Presbyterian Hospital, Westchester Division
- Northern Westchester Hospital
- Phelps Memorial Hospital Center
- St. Joseph's Medical Center
- St. Vincent's Westchester
- Montefiore New Rochelle Hospital
- VA Hudson Valley Health Care System
- White Plains Hospital Center

#### Long Island (Nassau and Suffolk Counties)

- Brookhaven Memorial Hospital
- Eastern Long Island Hospital
- Franklin Hospital Medical Center
- Glen Cove Hospital
- Good Samaritan Hospital Medical Center
- Huntington Hospital
- Long Beach Medical Center
- John T. Mather Memorial Hospital
- Mercy Medical Center
- Nassau University Medical Center
- North Shore University Hospital
- Peconic Bay Medical Center
- Plainview Hospital
- St. Catherine of Siena Medical Center
- St. Charles Hospital
- St. Francis Hospital

- St. Joseph Hospital
- South Nassau Communities Hospital
- Southampton Hospital
- Southside Hospital
- Stony Brook University Hospital
- Syosset Hospital
- Veterans Affairs Medical Center
- Winthrop University Hospital

### **About the Suburban Hospital Alliance of New York State, LLC**

The Suburban Hospital Alliance is a consortium of 51 not-for-profit and public hospitals advocating for better health care policy for all those living and working in the nine counties north and east of New York City.

### **About Mercy College**

Founded in 1950, Mercy College is a private, not-for-profit higher education institution that offers more than 90 undergraduate and graduate programs within five prestigious schools: Business, Education, Health and Natural Sciences, Liberal Arts and Social and Behavioral Sciences. Mercy College offers an engaging and personalized learning experience that includes the College's revolutionary Personalized Achievement Contract (PACT) program. The Mercy College PACT is the first program of its kind and now serves as a nationally recognized model for mentoring. [www.mercy.edu/877-MERCY-GO](http://www.mercy.edu/877-MERCY-GO).

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