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## NEWS RELEASE

# CHRISTUS Spohn Health System Statement Regarding Rumors of COVID-19 Spread

(Kingsville, Texas) – We understand that the potential impact of COVID-19 and its presence in Kingsville and surrounding areas is a constantly evolving situation. The expanding and changing nature of the situation could lend itself to speculation and rumors of the Coronavirus spreading throughout our community. However, CHRISTUS Spohn Health System stresses the need to avoid sharing unfounded speculation and rumors, even in a joking manner, across social media platforms.

There are no confirmed cases of COVID-19 at any CHRISTUS Spohn Health System facility. However, in the event that possible coronavirus patients need hospitalization after screening, we will work closely with local, state and federal authorities to confirm any such cases with the public.

Our number one priority is for the safety of our patients and their families who we are privileged to care for. As the COVID-19 virus continues to threaten our nation and community, we are taking every precaution to ensure the safety of our patients. We have implemented new patient [visitation guidelines](#) and are now screening all visitors who enter our hospitals.

CHRISTUS Health currently convenes daily, sometimes more, to check in on our emergency preparedness plans. We have had many hands on deck during this process. Nearly everyone — from physicians and nurses, quality and safety experts to those responsible for ordering supplies and keeping the hospital clean — is involved in making sure we can do best for our patients our Associates and this community we serve.

### About CHRISTUS Spohn Health System

CHRISTUS Spohn Health System is the region's largest hospital system in South Texas, consisting of six hospital campuses throughout the Coastal bend, a Cancer Center and the new Dr. Hector P. Garcia Memorial Family Health Center. The health system is consistently ranked as a healthcare leader in the area and has received national recognition for several pioneering programs, including trauma, cardiac care, clinical excellence and oncology. For more than 100 years, CHRISTUS Spohn has been distinguished by its high caliber staff and affiliated physicians, its comprehensive and innovative services, and its long history of responding to the needs of the community it serves. For additional information, visit our website at [www.christusspohn.org](http://www.christusspohn.org)