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Community Health Care Just Got Better for Challenged Chicago Neighborhoods

*Saint Anthony Hospital Announces New Partnership with
the University of Chicago Medicine for Obstetrics and Pediatrics*

CHICAGO, October 18, 2016 – Saint Anthony Hospital has announced its new partnership with the University of Chicago Medicine for its obstetrics and pediatrics service lines. This new partnership exemplifies the way in which a nationally recognized academic medical institution and community-focused hospital can improve the health care services offered to its community.

“Our partnership with UChicago Medicine enhances our mission to provide high-quality care to patients and families, as well as expand coverage and continuity of care to neighborhoods that need it most,” said Romeen Lavani, M.D., chairman for the department of pediatrics and hospital-wide strategic partnerships at Saint Anthony Hospital. “At Saint Anthony Hospital, we serve some of the most challenged populations in Chicago and having this new partnership means we can collaborate in a meaningful manner, and teach the next generation of providers how to care for these communities.”

Each year, Saint Anthony Hospital cares for over 100,000 patients and delivers nearly 2,000 babies. Roughly, 40 percent of the hospital’s emergency department visits are children. With this new partnership, mothers and children can now receive top-rated specialty care from UChicago Medicine physicians at Saint Anthony Hospital. This includes maternal-fetal medicine, addressing higher-risk pregnancies. Children will also have access to pediatric subspecialties such as endocrinology, cardiology and pulmonology to treat conditions like asthma and diabetes.

“Academic and community medicine is a powerful combination that gives patients more health care options that are convenient and closer to home,” said Ernst Lengyel, M.D., Ph.D., chairman of the department of obstetrics and gynecology at the University of Chicago. “We’re committed to bringing our specialty care to the community by working collaboratively and providing medical care that can’t be found elsewhere.”

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About Saint Anthony Hospital

For more than a century, Saint Anthony Hospital has served more than 400,000 residents on Chicago’s West and Southwest Sides. Saint Anthony Hospital is committed to providing quality health and wellness services, as well as a wide variety of free bilingual community health education and outreach programs. Saint Anthony Hospital staff work with community-based organizations, schools, parishes and other agencies to offer health education, early childhood and mental health services. More information is available at www.SAHChicago.org or call 773.484.1010. Find us on Twitter [@SaintAnthonyHos](https://twitter.com/SaintAnthonyHos) and on Facebook at [Saint Anthony Hospital Chicago](https://www.facebook.com/SaintAnthonyHospitalChicago).

About University of Chicago Medicine

The University of Chicago Medicine is one of the nation’s leading academic medical institutions. It comprises the Medical Center, Pritzker School of Medicine, the University of Chicago Biological Sciences Division and Ingalls Health System. Located in Chicago’s Hyde Park neighborhood, the 805-bed medical campus includes the Center for Care and Discovery, Bernard Mitchell Hospital and Comer Children’s Hospital. UChicago Medicine offers a full range of specialty-care services for adults and children through more than 40 institutes and centers, including its new Family Birth Center. Visit our research blog at sciencelife.uchospitals.edu and newsroom at uchospitals.edu/news. To make an appointment, call 1-888-824-0200 or visit us on social media at [@UChicagoMed](https://twitter.com/UChicagoMed) or [Facebook.com/UChicagoMed](https://www.facebook.com/UChicagoMed).