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Christian Health Care Center Representatives Lend their Expertise in a Special Program Entitled “Our Aging Parents: What a Caregiver Needs to Know”

Christian Health Care Center (CHCC) in Wyckoff will be participating in a program sponsored by the Wyckoff Family YMCA and the Wyckoff Board of Health. “Our Aging Parents: What a Caregiver Needs to Know” will be held at 7 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, May 16, at the Wyckoff Family YMCA.

A panel of medical experts will cover topics including home care and hospice needs, medication management, dementia issues, home safety and supportive devices, keeping quality of life and dignity intact, and options beyond home care, such as adult day care, assisted living, and nursing-home care.

Aijazali Nanjiana, MD, geriatric psychiatrist, and Denise Ratcliffe, LNHA, Executive Vice President and COO, will be representing CHCC. Dr. Nanjiani is a staff psychiatrist at CHCC’s Ramapo Ridge Psychiatric Hospital. He is board-certified in psychiatry and specializes in the treatment of older adults, focusing on issues of depression and dementia. He is a frequent lecturer on subjects that include geriatric psychiatry and psychopharmacology.

Ms. Ratcliffe is responsible for daily operational oversight at CHCC, including 850

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employees, 85 physician partners, and a \$68-million budget. She provided extensive leadership and support in the Center's service-excellence program, which has resulted in patient-satisfaction scores exceeding the 90th percentile, employee-satisfaction scores at the 95th percentile, and physician-satisfaction scores at the 90th percentile.

Other program participants are Hilary Forman, PT, Regional Vice President with HealthPRO Rehabilitation and President of Affinity Rehabilitation; Linda Witzal, RPh, Consultant Pharmacist for Generation Pharmacy Group; Michele Ogden, Director of Marketing and Community Relations for the CHEER Program; Maureen McCormick, Chore Handyman Program Director; Bennett Leifer, MD, Attending Physician, Department of Medicine, The Valley Hospital; and Jacqueline Einener, RN, BSN, CHPN, Valley Hospice Liaison.

Pre-registration is required. Register online at <http://www.eventbrite.com/event/6323865853/eorg#> or call Cindy at (201) 891-7000, ext. 304.

Christian Health Care Center provides a broad continuum of high-quality, compassionate care, offering superior mental-health, elder-care, residential living, and rehabilitation services. As a non-profit organization, we deliver care to our community based upon the Christian principles on which we were founded more than a century ago.

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