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CHI's Kevin Lofton Named to *Modern Healthcare's* Annual List of the "Top 25 Minority Executives in Healthcare"

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. – Feb. 15, 2016 – Kevin E. Lofton, chief executive officer of Catholic Health Initiatives, has been recognized again by *Modern Healthcare* magazine as one of the ["Top 25 Minority Executives in Healthcare."](#) Lofton has been named to all six biennial listings of America's top minority health care executives since the national newsmagazine first published the prestigious annual roster in 2006.

Lofton, who has served as CHI's top executive since August 2003, is a nationally recognized health care leader and a former chair of the American Hospital Association's board of directors. Now a member of the board of directors of the Catholic Health Association, Lofton directs the second-largest nonprofit health system in the nation, with 103 hospitals and hundreds of other facilities in 19 states and annual revenues of more than \$15.2 billion.

He also was named to *Modern Healthcare's* 2015 list of the "100 Most Influential People in Healthcare," a recognition he has received in each of the last 11 years.

Ruth Brinkley, president and chief executive officer of KentuckyOne Health, a Louisville, Ky.-based health system that is part of CHI, was also named to this year's list of top minority executives. And Ketul Patel, CHI's senior vice president for divisional operations and the chief executive officer of CHI Franciscan Health, Tacoma, was named one of the "10 minority executives to watch."

Modern Healthcare, the only national weekly newsmagazine covering the health care industry, describes the Top 25 recognition as "honoring the top minority healthcare executives who are

influencing the policy and care delivery models across the country. In doing so, they are also highlighting the continued need to nurture diversity in (healthcare) organizations.”

ABOUT CATHOLIC HEALTH INITIATIVES: Catholic Health Initiatives, a nonprofit, faith-based health system formed in 1996 through the consolidation of four Catholic health systems, expresses its mission each day by creating and nurturing healthy communities in the hundreds of sites across the nation where it provides care. The nation’s second-largest nonprofit health system, Englewood, Colorado-based CHI operates in 19 states and comprises 103 hospitals, including four academic health centers and major teaching hospitals as well as 30 critical-access facilities; community health-services organizations; accredited nursing colleges; home-health agencies; living communities; and other facilities and services that span the inpatient and outpatient continuum of care. In fiscal year 2015, CHI provided almost \$970 million in charity care and community benefit – an 8% increase over the previous year -- for programs and services for the poor, free clinics, education and research. Charity care and community benefit totaled more than \$1.6 billion with the inclusion of the unpaid costs of Medicare. The health system, which generated operating revenues of \$15.2 billion in fiscal year 2015, has total assets of approximately \$23 billion. Learn more at www.catholichealthinitiatives.org