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St. Camillus Launches CareFlow Program – New On-site Hemodialysis

Syracuse, NY – St. Camillus is pleased to announce the addition of **CareFlow** – A New On-site Hemodialysis program to its current array of services. **CareFlow** is designed to provide residents with convenient, high-quality renal care without the need to leave the facility while participating in the facility's short-term rehabilitation program.

CareFlow is a strategic partnership with Dialyze Direct, the nation's largest provider of staff-assisted on-site hemodialysis services in skilled nursing facilities, and local nephrology groups including Nephrology Hypertension Associates of CNY and Nephrology Associates of Syracuse. Together, the teams are committed to deliver personalized treatment plans tailored to each resident's medical needs.

This groundbreaking initiative reflects the facility's commitment to advancing healthcare delivery and improving quality of life for residents with chronic and acute kidney disease. By offering hemodialysis services within the comfort and safety of the skilled nursing environment, the program eliminates the stress and logistical challenges of transportation to off-site dialysis centers.

"We are thrilled to bring this level of specialized care directly to our residents through these strategic partnerships," said Michael Schafer, President/CEO of St Camillus. "This program is a testament to our mission of delivering compassionate, innovative healthcare solutions that support the evolving needs of our community."

Key Benefits of the CareFlow Program Include:

- **Enhanced Experience**: The technology uses a shorter dialyzing time to promote an enhanced patient experience and aims to transform the traditional hemodialysis model into a more convenient, person-centered care treatment.
- Improved Continuity of Care: Enhanced integration between the facility's clinical team the clinical partners ensures coordinated treatment plans and better health outcomes; including the potential to reduce rehospitalizations.
- Enhanced Comfort and Safety: Residents receive dialysis in a familiar setting, reducing exposure to external environments and minimizing risk. They are able to keep daily routines in balance with more time for activities, therapy & relaxation.

""True to St. Camillus' mission to enrich the lives of the people we serve, it is our focus to add the personal touch and the communal spirit of an on-site dialysis program. With a compassionate and highly-skilled staff, we are confident that we can deliver quality and personcentered care as they go on with their daily lives," said Dr. Renato Ignacio, St. Camillus Medical Director, Geriatric and Palliative Care Specialist.

"This partnership reflects our shared commitment to delivering compassionate, quality kidney care in a convenient setting," said Dr. Salil Gupta, President of Nephrology Hypertension Associates of CNY. "Together, we're redefining renal care in the post-acute space. The program provides hemodialysis five times a week, which enables the patients the opportunity to have a better overall experience and supports their recovery process. For example, improved blood pressure and fluid management, less medications, a more liberal diet and more time physical therapy which allows our patients to expedite their recovery."

"We're excited to bring a more gentle, more efficient dialysis experience right to where residents live and feel most comfortable, their home at St. Camillus. Treatments are designed with their day and therapy goals in mind, allowing recovery from dialysis **treatments** in as little as 30 to 60 minutes. This means patients can fully participate in their rehab programs and focus on what truly matters, their recovery and quality of life," said Joey Horowitz, Regional Director of Business Operations, Dialyze Direct.

For more information on St. Camillus's CareFlow Program please contact 315.488.1500

About St. Camillus

St. Camillus is a skilled nursing facility specializing in short-term rehabilitation and long-term care and provides a wide array of valuable programs and specialty services including a NYS-Certified

Brain Injury program, Restore & Regain Amputation program, CareFlow On-site Hemodialysis, Respite and Palliative Care services and Transportation. Our dedicated and compassionate staff are committed to making a positive difference in the lives of the people we serve.

As a well-respected nursing facility for more than 50 years, we care for our community's loved ones with dignity, respect and quality care.

