



## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

### **DEDICATION OF NEW ACUTE CARE TOWER AT HIGHLAND HOSPITAL IN OAKLAND**

**WHAT:** Dedication of New Acute Care Tower, centerpiece of \$668 million modernization of historic Highland Hospital campus in Oakland. Tours of completed Tower will be provided following ceremony.

**WHEN:** 10 a.m. Friday, January 29 (Media advised to arrive by 9:30 a.m.; reserved parking available upon request)

**WHERE:** Highland Hospital, 1411 East 31<sup>st</sup> Street in Oakland

OAKLAND – On Friday, January 29, Alameda County and Alameda Health System will celebrate the completion of the new Highland Acute Care Tower, the 9-story centerpiece of the \$668 million, multi-year modernization of the historic Highland Hospital Campus in Oakland. The multi-phase rebuild at Highland – cornerstone of Alameda County’s public health care system - is the largest construction project ever funded by the County.

Participating in the dedication will be several East Bay officials who played key roles in bringing the project to fruition. These officials will be available to the media for interviews. There also will be an abundance of visuals, including tours of the completed facility.

Completion of the 169-bed Acute Care Tower represents the largest milestone in the campus-wide modernization at Highland. The Acute Care Tower, which will open to patients in April, includes state-of-the-art facilities for intensive care, medical and surgical care, a family birthing center, and the digital interventional services center. The 9-story Tower is the last of several new facilities that adorn the campus including the Highland Care Pavilion, opened in 2013. The entire Highland project will be completed in 2017 following the removal of the existing patient care tower and the opening of a new entrance.

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**AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEWS AT THE DEDICATION:** Alameda County Supervisors Scott Haggerty and Wilma Chan, County Administrator Susan S. Muranishi, Alameda Health System CEO Delvecchio S. Finley and Alameda Health System Board of Trustees President Michele Lawrence.

**NOTE TO MEDIA:** Journalists planning to attend the dedication are advised to arrive at Highland Hospital at 9:30 a.m. Reserved parking, available upon request, will be provided. Journalists planning to attend are asked to **RSVP** to Guy Ashley, (510) 272-6569 or at [guy.ashley@acgov.org](mailto:guy.ashley@acgov.org)