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**Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare in Southeast Wisconsin achieves
full oncology accreditation**

Milwaukee, WI – All Wheaton Franciscan Cancer Care programs in Southeast Wisconsin have been granted Three-Year Full Accreditation from the National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers. Programs at Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare All Saints, Elmbrook Memorial, St. Joseph, and St. Francis also received Three-Year Accreditation with Commendation from the American College of Surgeons – Commission on Cancer.

Accreditation by the National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers (NAPBC) is given only to those centers that have voluntarily committed to provide the highest level of quality breast care and demonstrate proficiency according to rigorous NAPBC standards in the areas of: center leadership, clinical management, research, community outreach, professional education, and quality improvement.

The Commission on Cancer of the American College of Surgeons grants its Three-Year Accreditation with Commendation to programs demonstrating compliance with standards in the areas of cancer committee leadership, cancer data management, clinical services, research, community outreach and quality improvement.

These designations mean Wheaton cancer patients know they have access to comprehensive state-of-the-art care, the best treatment options, and continuously updated cancer-related education and support. Most importantly our patients throughout Southeast Wisconsin know that they can receive top-quality cancer care right in their own community with Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare.

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Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare (WFH) is a Catholic, not-for-profit organization with more than 100 health and shelter organizations in Wisconsin, Iowa, Colorado, and Illinois. Started by the Wheaton Franciscan Sisters more than 125 years ago and formally incorporated in 1983, WFH has corporate services offices in Wheaton, Illinois and Glendale, Wisconsin.

In Southeast Wisconsin, WFH is co-sponsored by the Wheaton Franciscan and Felician Sisters and has nearly 11,000 associates, making it the second largest private employer in the area. Hospitals include All Saints in Racine County; Wheaton Franciscan - St. Joseph and The Wisconsin Heart Hospital Campuses, St. Francis, Franklin Hospital, and Midwest Orthopedic Specialty Hospital in Milwaukee County; and Elmbrook Memorial in Waukesha County. The region also includes Wheaton Franciscan Medical Group with more than 350 physicians in more than 50 locations, a network of outpatient centers, three transitional and extended care facilities, Home Health, and Hospice.

Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare is also affiliated with Affinity Healthcare in the Fox Valley and United Hospital System in Kenosha.