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Gambro continues expansion of Renal Care Services business in the US

Stockholm, Sweden - Gambro AB (Stockholm Stock Exchange: GAMBaST, GAMBbST), a leading international medical technology and healthcare company, today announced that it has acquired the dialysis unit of Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center located in Hartford, Connecticut. The dialysis center provides outpatient hemodialysis and home treatment services to over 180 patients. Dialysis treatment and related patient services will continue to be under the supervision of the medical directors affiliated with Saint Francis. As part of this transaction, Gambro Healthcare has also contracted to provide acute dialysis services to Saint Francis.

With this acquisition, Gambro now serves over 1,175 patients in the state of Connecticut and maintains its position as the leading provider of renal care services in that state. "Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center was selected because of Gambro's strategic plan to develop dialysis services throughout the state of Connecticut and the New England market. Saint Francis has a long history of providing quality care to patients with end stage renal disease in the Hartford, Connecticut area and a strong reputation as the largest Catholic hospital in the New England region," stated Mats Wahlström, President of Gambro Healthcare. "This acquisition is another step towards our goal of becoming the world's leading provider of high-quality renal care services."

GAMBRO Healthcare, Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Gambro, AB, a world-leading medical technology and healthcare company. GAMBRO Healthcare is a fully integrated service provider in renal replacement therapy. Its activities include disease management, physician practice management, dialysis services, and clinical laboratory services.

GAMBRO Healthcare is the third largest provider of kidney dialysis services in the US. The Company now owns, operates, manages or provides consulting services to 475 dialysis centers in the United States that serve about 35,000 patients. There are patients under treatment in centers across 33 states and the District of Columbia.



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Gambro is a global medical technology and healthcare company with leading positions in renal care - services and products - and blood component technology (BCT). Gambro is one of the leading providers of kidney dialysis services in the world. Gambro treats about 42,000 patients in 565 clinics worldwide. Renal care products comprise dialyzers, dialysis machines, blood lines and dialysis fluid. BCT includes products for the separation and handling of blood components. The group, with revenue of approximately SEK 18 billion (USD 2.2 billion), has approximately 17,000 employees in some 40 countries.