

June 8th, 2021

Dear Bayonne Residents,

Hudson Regional Hospital has voluntarily provided a legally enforceable agreement to permanently designate Bayonne Medical Center as an acute care hospital. Under the terms of agreement, the City of Bayonne would have a right of first refusal to purchase it, guaranteeing its control of the site and the use.

Hudson Regional's commitment means that Bayonne Medical Center can and will **only** function as a true community acute-care hospital. This is a continuation of our commitment to protect the accessibility of healthcare for the people of Bayonne as a result of CarePoint announcing it was in financial peril and would exit the acute care market.

It also resolves any concerns the community may have about the stability of the property ownership, and it eliminates the need to utilize the proposed \$100 million eminent domain proceeding to control the property, which has divided the community.

***As of today, the City can have complete and permanent control over the Bayonne Medical Center property without spending even \$1 of taxpayer funds.***

Should CarePoint fail to find a suitable operator, Hudson Regional has a plan in place to ensure proper health services are available to all Bayonne Residents without interruption.

Sincerely,

Hudson Regional Hospital