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October 24, 2012

To: Mayor Sam Adams,  
Commissioners: Dan Saltzman, Randy Leonard,  
Nick Fish, Amanda Fritz

From: Samuel Brooks, Founder & Chair  
Oregon Association of Minority Entrepreneurs (OAME)

I am here today to testify to Legacy Emanuel Medical Center's commitment to the community. Legacy Emanuel has been a partner, sponsor and friend of the Oregon Association of Minority Entrepreneurs for many years. In 2009, Legacy Health received the Corporate Award of the Year for providing opportunities for Minority, Women, Emerging and Small Businesses (MWESB) and its assistance in helping OAME achieve its mission. Over the past 5 years Legacy Emanuel has made a point to have a member of its administration on OAME's Advisory Board and has also assisted in the planning of OAME's Annual Conference.

Legacy further exhibited its commitment to the community at the beginning of the planning and construction process of Randall Children's Hospital on the Legacy Emanuel campus. Legacy supportively approached Minority, Women, Emerging and Small Businesses to assure that they were given opportunities to work on the project. Throughout the construction of Randall Children's Hospital Legacy Emanuel leaders provided updates on the project at OAME's Coffee and Issues Forums.

Legacy Emanuel not only has a strong relationship with OAME, but a strong commitment to our greater community. They offer youth internships and scholarships, provide office space for community organizations, sponsor and support local nonprofits and works hard to get its employees involved in the community by volunteering at many events in our community that make a difference. Legacy Emanuel also does a great job at providing campus access for community events. The number of events hosted and sponsored on the Legacy Emanuel campus in the last few years has increased substantially.

**Key points:**

- Legacy Emanuel Medical Center is an economic engine that offers jobs to over three thousand Portland-metropolitan area residents and is one of the largest employers in North Portland. OR and ICU Expansion Project has the potential of creating over 100 more jobs for our community
- Legacy Emanuel successfully engaged minority contractors on the Randall Children's Hospital project, and I am confident that they will do so with this project as well
- OR and ICU Expansion Project has a potential of creating 200 additional jobs and will bring dollars in to our community
- Legacy Emanuel's new OR and ICUs will assist in providing better health care to our community
- Legacy Emanuel is courageous in taking on the reconciliation project to improve its relationship with our community from the past, present and future
- Legacy Emanuel is committed to having a successful partnership with OAME and other community organizations
- Legacy Emanuel has a strong presence in our community
- Legacy Health lives by its mission and is committed to doing the right thing.

**Legacy Health's Mission is:**

- Our legacy is good health for:
  - Our people
  - Our patients
  - Our communities
  - Our world



# Responding to disaster



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Vice President, Chief Administrative Officer  
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When a powerful earthquake struck Haiti in January 2010, dozens of health professionals from Legacy Emanuel Medical Center and The Children's Hospital took time away from their lives and jobs to lend their expertise to the injured.

"We treated about 300 patients a day," says Tory Stine, R.N., an emergency nurse at Legacy Emanuel who was part of a team who built a medical clinic. "Every single person I treated had lost a loved one."



Dr. Achterman used his expertise as an orthopedic surgeon to help those injured in the Haitian earthquake.

## Devastation prompts surgeon to volunteer

As an orthopedic surgeon, Christopher Achterman, M.D., viewed the devastation from the earthquake in Port-au-Prince from a different perspective. "An earthquake emergency is a uniquely, orthopedically tilted emergency," Dr. Achterman explained to The Oregonian, "because buildings fall down, and that breaks things."

Dr. Achterman, who performs surgeries on patients from Legacy Emanuel and The Children's Hospital, quickly

volunteered with Medical Teams International to join a team of surgeons who spent more than a week helping the injured in Haiti.

"The first week I was there, that was my life: go to the clinic, work like crazy, go back, eat, sleep, work like crazy," Dr. Achterman said. He explained that the team converted a small hospital into a surgical center. "When we moved in, they were doing about one or two surgical cases a month; we did 50 in a week."



An earthquake with a 7.0 magnitude struck 15 miles from Port-au-Prince, Haiti's largest city, with more than 2 million people. An estimated 300,000 houses were destroyed.



Legacy offers employees part time off for charitable service; dozens of Legacy employees used the program to assist survivors in Haiti.



# The healing power of gardens

More and more research is showing how gardens assist in healing and health. Studies suggest plants or nature can reduce stress and improve mood among patients, while the act of gardening can have dramatic and restorative effects on health.

Legacy Health is known nationally for our healing gardens, with gardens throughout our six hospital campuses. Legacy's gardens have been featured in *The Wall Street Journal*, *Landscape Architecture*, *The American Gardener* and several other publications. "The Legacy gardens are amazing," says Roger S. Ulrich, Ph.D., Texas A&M Center for Health Systems and Design. "They set an international benchmark."

## In their own words...

"This garden helped to save my life. I was flown in by helicopter and came very close to death. The second day I was here, one of the nurses, despite his shift being over, took the time to put warm blankets on me, put me in a chair and pushed me out into this wonderful space. He showed me the flowers, he convinced me to smell them, he helped me to see the life around me. I'm much better and healing now. This garden helped me to start healing — it gave me peace and calmness."



The garden at Legacy Oregon Burn Center is the country's first healing garden designed for burn survivors. It has gained national recognition.

The garden at The Children's Hospital is decorated throughout with fun and colorful figures.



Our gardens are designed to stimulate patients' senses and to provide a soothing environment; the gardens are also arranged to encourage patients to interact with the surroundings.



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# Robotic option for a quicker recovery

Robotic tools allow doctors to perform complicated surgeries with tiny incisions, resulting in less pain, shorter hospital stays and faster recovery times for patients.

Legacy is the regional leader in robotic technology, with the most experience, the most cases and the largest number of robots of any health system in this region. Surgeons at Legacy Emanuel Medical Center are using robotic tools with remarkable results. Just ask Donald Ferris, a musician from Salem who was one of the first patients on the West Coast to undergo robotic surgery to treat oral cancer (see his story below).

## Innovative surgery has cancer patient singing a sweeter song

When Donald Ferris first heard that he had squamous cell carcinoma — a common type of skin cancer — he was told the cancer was inoperable as the tumor was inaccessible, nestled in the back of his throat.

Much to Ferris' surprise, a few days later, Eric Dierks, M.D., a head-and-neck cancer specialist at Legacy Emanuel, called to let him know about another option. Dr. Dierks had just completed training and certification for the da Vinci Surgical System — robotic technology that the surgical team could use to remove the cancerous tumor. Choosing the robotic surgery option meant Ferris would not have to have his jaw removed and would recover much more quickly.

A former singer and bass player, Ferris was interested in anything that had the potential of having him doing his favorite activities again. So on March 31, 2010, at Legacy Emanuel, Ferris became one of the first patients on the West Coast to undergo transoral surgery. Today, Ferris is able to talk and even sing again as he said, "As long as you're doing old '50s rock 'n' roll, quality doesn't mean so much."

*This story was adapted from a piece that originally ran in the Statesman Journal.*



Eric Dierks, M.D., at Legacy Emanuel was one of the first surgeons on the West Coast to perform transoral robotic surgery (TORS) — a minimally invasive procedure to treat throat cancer.



The robotic arms offer a greater precision than the human hand, allowing for complex procedures through very small incisions.

Legacy Emanuel uses the da Vinci system, the breakthrough robotic platform, to help surgical patients get out of the hospital sooner.



# Saving lives, reducing infections

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## Legacy sets sights on patient safety

An uncomfortable truth about U.S. health care is that medical mistakes that lead to death and sicker patients continue to occur. In 2008, Legacy Health initiated an overall effort, known as Big Aims, to reduce needless deaths and health care-associated infections.

Front-line clinicians and staff were highly involved in three specific improvement efforts across the system: strictly following proven safety measures; revising practices based on a review of hospital deaths; and involving a broader range of clinical staff on daily rounds.

### Impressive results

The results in a two-year period:

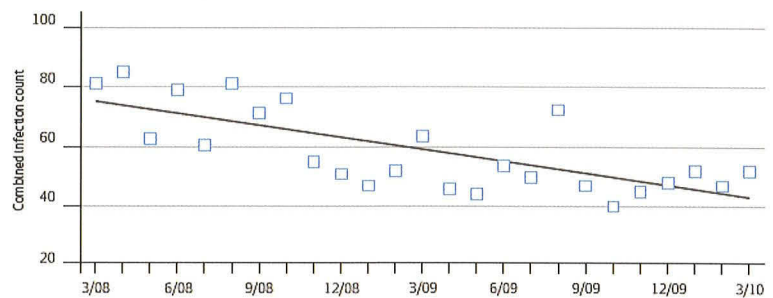
- A 13.5 percent reduction in mortality, preventing an estimated 200 deaths
- A 44.6 percent reduction in infections, preventing an estimated 570 infections

In two years, these reductions saved more than \$13 million from the costs of treating health care-associated infections.

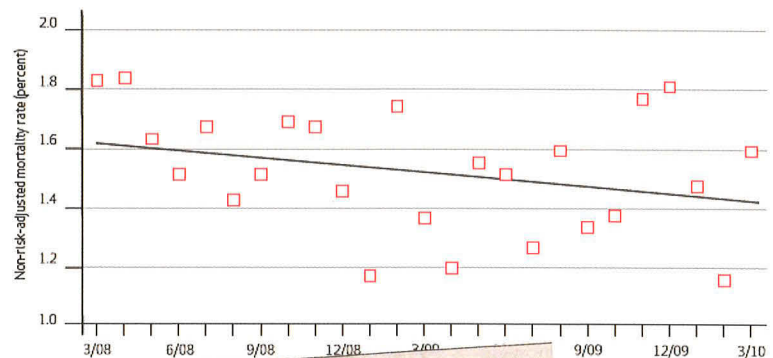
### Transparency, teamwork recognized

Legacy's Big Aims effort earned placement in the journal *Health Affairs* and front-page article and editorial in *The Oregonian* newspaper. "Legacy's initiative and daring ... bespeak integrity and uncommon transparency," *The Oregonian* wrote. "Collaboration and communication were hallmarks of the effort."

Monthly Infection Count At Legacy Health, March 2008-March 2010



Monthly Mortality Rate At Legacy Health, March 2008-March 2010



**Legacy Health's bet  
pays off at the right time**

— *The Oregonian*  
Sunday, April 10, 2011





# Saving lives in an epidemic

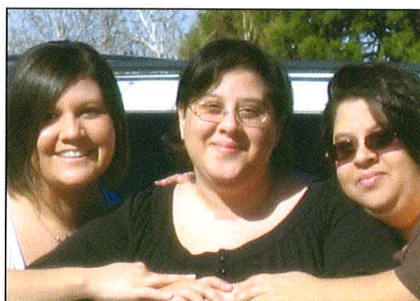
At the height of the H1N1 ("swine flu") epidemic, Legacy Emanuel Medical Center's expertise played a crucial role in saving lives. The H1N1 virus inflames the lungs, making it difficult for some people to breathe. Legacy Emanuel used ECMO, an innovative therapy that oxygenates blood outside the patient's body, to treat H1N1 patients.

Staff mobilized a surgical transport team/intensive care unit and brought patients from across the state to receive specialized care on our ECMO machine. Legacy Emanuel, which has the most complete ECMO program in Oregon, treated 15 H1N1 patients with ECMO, a treatment series that was one of the most extensive employed in the worldwide epidemic.

Although we have been providing ECMO for children for more than 25 years, ECMO wasn't widely used on adult patients until the H1N1 outbreak.

## "I will forever think of this team and thank God"

"A specialized mobile surgical transport team from Legacy Emanuel in Portland arrived to transfer another H1N1 patient and learned about my case," said Jacquelyn Cordero of Medford. "Within 24 hours, I was in Portland, hooked up to a machine called ECMO that would save my life. It kept my lungs free, and gave them the chance to rest while my body healed."



Cordero, center, is enjoying good health after a potentially fatal bout with H1N1.

Extracorporeal membrane oxygenation, or ECMO, actually oxygenates the blood outside of the body, supporting the heart and lungs when they cannot function normally on their own. It is similar to heart/lung bypass in the operating room that can be done at the bedside for an extended period.

With six ECMO machines at our disposal, Legacy Emanuel Medical Center and

The Children's Hospital at Legacy Emanuel is the only facility west of the Mississippi that can offer ECMO therapy for patients of all ages, from newborns to adults.

"If it weren't for ECMO technology, and the experience and expertise of the Legacy team, I'm not certain how many more days I would have had," said Cordero.



"We didn't think he was going to live," says the wife of one patient who was on ECMO for 13 days and underwent dozens of surgeries. "If not for Legacy Emanuel, he wouldn't have."



## Healthy lives start with great doctors

A great foundation for a healthy life is a great relationship with your primary care provider.

That's why Legacy primary care doctors are part of your community, working side-by-side with you on prevention and treatment. If you're looking for primary care, consider these clinics near you:

- Legacy Medical Group–Broadway
- Legacy Medical Group–Emanuel
- Legacy Medical Group–Northeast

They accept a variety of health plans and are closely connected to the services at Legacy Emanuel and Randall Children's Hospital at Legacy Emanuel.

For more information, please call **503-335-3500** or visit [www.legacyhealth.org/primarycare](http://www.legacyhealth.org/primarycare).

## Better health for all

Because Legacy Health does not turn away patients based on their ability to pay for medical care, charitable donations allow Legacy Emanuel Medical Center to provide quality health care to the community. To support Emanuel Medical Center Foundation please call 503-413-2786 or visit [www.legacyhealth.org/giving](http://www.legacyhealth.org/giving).

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## Our legacy is yours



### Legacy Emanuel Medical Center





## What's your legacy?

What's your legacy? To inspire? To achieve? To be there for your friends and family?

Legacy Emanuel Medical Center is here to help. With the most advanced care and a mission to improve the world around us, we work to create a legacy of health and community. Of quality and innovation. Of respect and responsibility. It's the legacy we create every day, and it's yours.



### Central to critical care

Legacy Emanuel Medical Center occupies a vital role in the metropolitan area and in the region as a medical center with around-the-clock expertise for emergency and critical health conditions. We offer:

- An emergency room that is open 24 hours with doctors trained in emergency medicine
- A Level 1 Trauma Center — the highest designation for trauma care and one of only two in the state
- The Legacy Oregon Burn Center, the only burn center in the region
- State-of-the-art intensive care units and critical care services

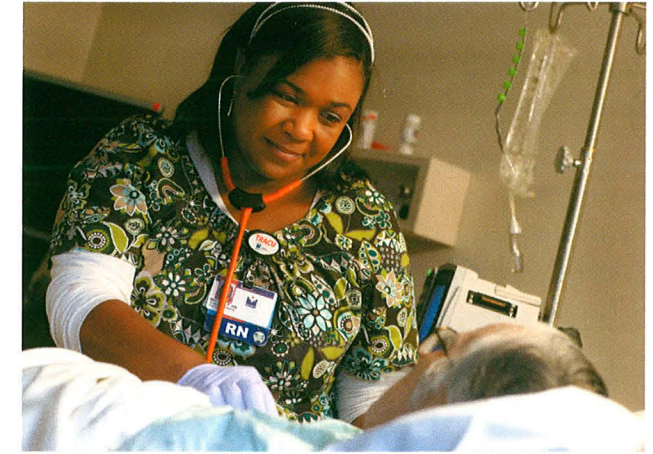
### Advanced services and specialists

Legacy Emanuel is the region's best-known medical center with a range of expertise and specialized care, including:

- Neurosurgery, head and neck, cardiovascular, orthopedic and minimally invasive surgery
- Nationally recognized stroke care
- Legacy Medical Group—Maternal-Fetal Medicine, complete care for high-risk pregnancy
- Legacy Injury Prevention Programs offer an array of classes and presentations aimed at improving the safety of our community.

### Comprehensive care

As a patient of Legacy Emanuel Medical Center, you have immediate access to the range of medical expertise available through Legacy Health.



### Care for families

The Family Birth Center at Legacy Emanuel is the birthplace of generations of Oregonians. Specialized children's care is provided at Randall Children's Hospital at Legacy Emanuel. Local pediatricians and families trust Randall Children's Hospital to provide infants to teens with the region's most advanced emergency and complex care.

### For the community

Our mission is to create a legacy of health for our people, our patients, our community and our world. We sponsor dozens of efforts aimed at improving life. From teaching safety classes and promoting injury prevention, to developing partnerships with local schools, Legacy Emanuel brings commitment and creativity to its community service role.