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Maristhill Nursing & Rehabilitation Center Enters Agreement with Tufts Health Plan

WALTHAM, MA – (April 26, 2010) **Maristhill Nursing & Rehabilitation Center**, a non-profit provider of comprehensive rehabilitative services, short-term and long-term care located in Waltham Massachusetts, recently announced that they have signed an agreement with **Tufts Health Plan**.

The arrangement enables Maristhill to serve a wider spectrum of the Commonwealth's elder population, as the center is now able to accept Tufts patients for HMO, managed care and Medicare Risk products.

"We're very pleased to be making this announcement," said **Carolyn Fenn**, Maristhill's Administrator. "Our new relationship with Tufts Health Plan increases Maristhill's ability to serve the rehabilitation needs of elders in the greater Waltham area and also provides more options for physicians and local hospitals when referring patients for post-acute care."

Tufts Health Plan is a not-for-profit health plan recognized nationwide for its commitment to providing innovative, high-quality health care coverage. The plan supports its members and employers with an array of physician-led health management programs, which use evidence-based medicine to design coverage that supports proven approaches to providing care and improving quality. Tufts Health Plan's HMO, and POS are ranked second in the nation and its Medicare Advantage program has been ranked among the top 10 in the nation by the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA). More information about the organization is available on its Web site www.tuftshealthplan.com.

Originally founded in 1969 by the Marist Missionary Sisters, Maristhill is a licensed skilled-nursing and rehabilitation center with a highly-recognized performance record for clinical excellence and quality care. People of all faiths and denominations are welcomed at the 123-bed facility, which is a member of **Covenant Health Systems**, a Catholic health care system sponsoring hospitals, nursing homes, assisted living residences and other health and elder services throughout New England.

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