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Nascentia Health Hosts Ribbon Cutting & Open House to Mark Opening of New Operational Headquarters

Syracuse, NY – Nascentia Health, a local leader in home health care services, hosted a Ribbon Cutting and Open House on Wednesday, September 19 to celebrate the grand opening of their new operational headquarters at 1050 West Genesee Street, Syracuse.

Guests enjoyed tours, refreshments and a brief ceremony featuring remarks from President and CEO Kate Rolf, MBA, CHCE, FACHE; Board Chair John L. Clark, SIOR; Board Member David Johnson, AIA, LEED AP; and CenterState CEO President and CEO Robert Simpson. The system's leadership team and Board of Directors, as well as representatives from the project's architect, King & King Architects, LLP, and general contractor, the Hayner Hoyt Corporation, were on-hand to mark the momentous occasion.

Nascentia's former headquarters, built in 1921, was beyond its intended lifespan and no longer met the system's needs. In addition, a 2014 building condition assessment established a need to replace the entire structure, as the exterior shell and perimeter had suffered extensive moisture penetration and weathering. After much deliberation, the system's leadership team and Board of Directors decided to build a new structure at the same location, as doing so would best serve the growing population within Central New York. Additionally, the location was a centralized point for the majority of the system's 550 plus employees who, while traveling across a 48-county service area, used the headquarters as their main landing spot for training, documentation, meetings/seminars, etc.

The \$11,000,000 construction project began with an official groundbreaking ceremony in January 2017 and culminated with the demolition of the old building and the completion of the parking lot and exterior courtyard in August 2018. Operations in the new space began in January 2018.

The new 47,000-square-foot building includes an expanded and centralized location of Nascentia's Continuing Care Call Center, which serves as the point-of-entry for home and community-based services, as well as an additional 9,000 square feet of floor space, allowing for: an expanded lobby/waiting area; public and private elevators; community room; staff gym; outpatient PT/OT suite; expanded Eldercare Social Day Program; exterior courtyard; and additional parking. Space has also been allocated for public use, bringing community members closer to the services that can assist them across the lifespan and continuum of care.

"This event marked the moment when years of planning, preparation and hard work finally came to realization," said Kate Rolf, President and CEO. "Nascentia Health's organizational headquarters is now a branded facility and community asset, helping us better serve our mission of bringing care to patients in their own homes, as well as bringing the community into ours."

Photo Caption: Members of Nascentia Health's leadership team and Board of Directors join representatives from King & King Architects, LLP, the Hayner Hoyt Corporation and CenterState CEO in cutting the ceremonial ribbon marking the grand opening of Nascentia Health's new operational headquarters at 1050 West Genesee Street, Syracuse.

About Nascentia Health: Nascentia Health was born of the unification of VNA Homecare, VNA Homecare Options, Home Aides of Central New York and all their respective affiliated organizations and foundations. As a healthcare system without walls, Nascentia is

an innovator in the concept of home healthcare, focusing on the patient as a whole and leveraging leading-edge care approaches and technologies to improve outcomes and quality of life. Specialties include: in-home nursing and medical services; home health aides and elder care; complete cross-continuum care management; community health and wellness programs; transportation, equipment and innovative care technologies; chronic disease management; and managed long-term care. The system's catchment area spans 48 counties across Central and Upstate New York.

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