

Teachers Health Trust

Date: September 6, 2011

To: All Clark County Teachers

From: Peter Alpert, CEO Teachers Health Trust



RE: Keep Your Trust

Enclosed you will find a copy of a letter to Superintendent Dr. Dwight Jones from the Sunrise Health Systems hospitals, which include – Sunrise, Sunrise Children's, MountainView and Southern Hills. Sunrise Health Systems has asked that the Teachers Health Trust (Trust) forward a copy of this communication to all Clark County School District Teachers.

If the School District is successful in terminating its relationship with the Trust and enrolling all teachers in a Plan offered by Sierra Health Services/United Healthcare, you will no longer have access to any of these local hospital facilities. Please read the enclosed letter for details.

The Trust urges you to make your voice heard in the following simple ways; sign the Keep Your Trust online petition available at www.teachershealthtrust.org and contact each School Board Trustee and Superintendent Dr. Dwight Jones to let them know you want to Keep Your Trust.





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September 7, 2011

Dwight D. Jones
Office of the Superintendent
CCSD Administrative Center
5100 West Sahara Avenue
Las Vegas, Nevada 89146

Dear Superintendent Jones,

First of all, I want to thank you and the rest of the Clark County School District family. Your organization and ours – the Sunrise Health Systems hospitals – have enjoyed a very positive relationship over the years. We are very proud of that relationship and feel privileged to be able to serve those in your organization. Recently, an issue has come to our attention that will affect our hospital system's relationship with the Clark County School District.

We understand that the Clark County School District has proposed a change in the providers that will be available to the School District employees who are now part of the Teachers Health Trust. We also understand that 96% of the members want to keep the Trust, which has been in existence for many years. We can appreciate the feelings of the members of the Trust – they want to maintain their relationships with their physicians and hospitals. And they want to have the choice of several providers.

A large percentage of your School District employees choose the physicians and hospitals of the Sunrise Health System, and we cherish that relationship. We are proud to offer our nationally recognized programs and services to your members and don't want to see our relationship jeopardized. As you may know, our hospitals – Sunrise, Sunrise Children's, MountainView and Southern Hills – have received many accolades and offer services no other hospitals in the region offer. These include:

- The region's First Joint Commission Certified Network of Primary Stroke Centers: Sunrise Hospital, MountainView Hospital and Southern Hills Hospital.
- The Society of Chest Pain Center's First network of Accredited Chest Pain Centers in Las Vegas. Sunrise Hospital, MountainView Hospital, and Southern Hills Hospital.

Sunrise and Sunrise Children's Hospital

- Recognized by U.S. News and World Report's Best Hospitals as the #1 Hospital in Las Vegas for Two Consecutive Years
- Consumer Choice Award-Winning Hospital for 15 Consecutive Years
- Level-II Trauma Unit
- Stroke Center recognized by the American Stroke Association's "Get with the Guidelines" Gold Plus Performance Achievement Award for three consecutive years
- Only Gamma Knife for Incision-Less Brain Surgery in Nevada
- Largest Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (Level-III) and Pediatric Intensive Care Unit in Nevada
- Only pediatric open heart program in Nevada at Sunrise Children's Hospital
- Only Inpatient Rehabilitation Unit in Clark County Certified by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF)
- American College of Surgeons Recognized Comprehensive Cancer Center
- Most Comprehensive Breast Center in Southern Nevada, Offering Digital Mammography
- American Academy of Sleep Medicine Accredited Sleep Disorders Center



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MountainView Hospital

- Recognized by the American Stroke Association's "Get with the Guidelines" Silver Performance Achievement Award
- Bariatric Surgery Center of Excellence designated by the American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery
- Only da Vinci Si HD surgical system, only bariatric da Vinci surgery and only da Vinci simulator in Nevada
- Only facility to offer outpatient cardiac rehabilitation in the Northwest

Our health system does not have an in network status with Sierra Health Plans, with the exception of a narrow carve out for pediatric cardiac services. By selecting this health plan, teachers will not have access to the Sunrise Health System.

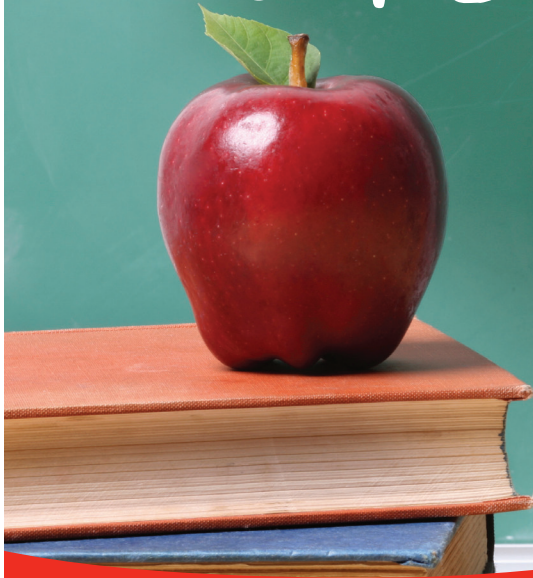
Our two organizations have had a strong relationship over the years. We want to maintain that relationship and therefore, we ask that you keep the Teachers Health Trust and let your employees have the healthcare choices they so overwhelmingly desire.

Sincerely,

Sylvia Young, MSHA, FACHE
Las Vegas Market President

cc: Carolyn Edwards CCSD Board of Trustees
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Clark County School District Teachers

LET TEACHERS HAVE THE CHOICE



Currently, the teachers in the Clark County School District have health insurance coverage through the Teachers Health Trust.

However, the Clark County School District leadership wants to discontinue the Health Trust and limit the teachers' health insurance choices to one plan - Sierra. That's a subsidiary of United Health Plans and does not include the Sunrise Health System – Sunrise, MountainView, Southern Hills and Sunrise Children's Hospitals.

Limiting the health insurance choice to Sierra means that thousands of teachers and their families would not have access to the nationally recognized Sunrise Health System hospitals and many of our physicians.

Teachers and their families could be forced to end their long-time relationships with their hospitals and physicians.

We think the teachers and their families should be able to choose their healthcare providers and have access to the Sunrise Health System. Go to www.TeachersHealthTrust.org to show your support for the teachers.



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