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INTERCOMMUNITY, INC. RECEIVES FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTER LOOK ALIKE (FQHC LA) STATUS

EAST HARTFORD, March 2, 2015- Effective March 1, 2015, InterCommunity, Inc. has been officially designated a federally qualified health center look alike (FQHC LA) by the U.S Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration.

“This designation will allow us to continue to provide whole person healthcare within our culture of high quality and innovation,” said Kimberly Beauregard, LCSW, President and CEO of InterCommunity, Inc., and InterCommunity Recovery Centers. “Our integrated care system coordinates primary and behavioral health care needs under one organization; this is especially important for those with multiple health care needs.”

An FQHC LA is a health center that meets all of the eligibility requirements of an organization that receives an FQHC designation, but does not receive federal grant funding. FQHC LAs qualify for enhanced reimbursement from Medicare and Medicaid, as well as other benefits. FQHC LAs serve an underserved area or population, offer a sliding fee scale, provide comprehensive services, have an ongoing quality assurance program, and have a governing board of directors that includes those who are served by the health center.

“Over 2,000 people have already started primary care services at InterCommunity,” reports Tyler Booth, LCSW, COO of InterCommunity, Inc. and InterCommunity Recovery Centers. “People come in because we offer same day access to both primary care and behavioral health care for children and adults. It doesn’t matter where you live, whether or not you have insurance, or what health issue you are dealing with. We are here to help with services ranging from primary care, to talk therapy, to detox and other recovery services.”

This designation comes just a month after InterCommunity’s announcement of a corporate affiliation with InterCommunity Recovery Centers (formerly Alcohol and Drug Recovery Centers). This relationship allows for enhanced coordinated care among behavioral health, primary care and addiction recovery services.

Since receiving a license to provide primary care services in September, 2013, InterCommunity has improved access to primary care, helped to bridge physical health, behavioral health, and recovery services, and has literally saved lives. As an FQHC LA, InterCommunity looks forward to having an even greater impact on the health of the greater Hartford community.

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