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**THREE LOCAL HEALTH CARE AGENCIES JOIN FORCES**

(NORTHWEST CT... SEPTEMBER 8, 2020) ... Three well-respected local health agencies have joined forces to continue providing local, quality skilled nursing, therapy and home care services in the communities of Litchfield County. In January 2020, VNA Northwest in Bantam became a part of Foothills Visiting Nurse & Home Care in Winsted. They were joined by Salisbury VNA on August 30, to form a new agency, Visiting Nurse & Hospice of Litchfield County. The newly-combined agency offers the resources, staff and skill of all three entities to continue providing comprehensive home health care services to all towns in Litchfield County.

The existing offices and staff in Salisbury, Bantam and Winsted will continue to provide care in their respective area communities, and the Winsted office will also be serving as headquarters. Patients in all Litchfield County towns can rely on the familiarity and consistency they value.

Michael Caselas, Executive Director of Foothills VNA, has assumed the position of the executive director of the combined agency. Caselas says, “All three agencies have been caring for the residents of northwest Connecticut independently for a century or more. As community-based organizations, our missions and philosophies are the same, and there has been increasing overlap in our service areas. By working together, Visiting Nurse & Hospice of Litchfield County is even better equipped to provide the local, personalized services our families, neighbors, friends and we ourselves want.” He continues, “We intend to perpetuate the ideals that have made our individual agencies such vital contributors to our communities. That isn’t changing. People come first, and we aren’t working together so much to change, but rather to sustain and extend the level of care with our combined talent and resources.”

Visiting Nurse & Hospice of Litchfield County’s primary services include: skilled home health care, hospice and home assistance programs.

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