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Argentine Delegation Visits Mary's Center to Strengthen Public Policy Education and Health Access

Silver Spring, MD– On May 22, 2024, Mary's Center will welcome a delegation from Argentina, organized by the American Chamber of Commerce in Argentina (AmCham Argentina). The delegation, consisting of 30-35 members including Argentinean health ministers, congressmen, national health representatives, pharmaceutical industry representatives, and health insurance authorities, aims to enhance their understanding of the U.S. health system and explore avenues for research, innovation, and collaboration.

The visit underscores Mary's Center's mission to embrace all communities with quality healthcare, education, and social services, fostering healthy and thriving communities. Regarded as one of the best federally qualified healthcare centers (FQHC) in the United States, Mary's Center serves over 65,000 individuals annually in the Washington, DC metro area, offering an integrated healthcare, education, and social services model to low-income and underserved populations.

Key objectives of the Argentine delegation include:

- 1. Promoting knowledge of the United States' health system and its future challenges.
- 2. Enhancing understanding of research and innovation processes in the health industry among decision-makers in both public and private sectors.
- 3. Developing and strengthening dialogue and cooperation between public and private sectors.



"We are honored to host this delegation and share our experiences and insights," said Tollie B. Elliott, Sr., MD, CEO of Mary's Center. "Our integrated approach to healthcare, education, and social services can offer valuable lessons in ensuring and promoting health access, which we hope will contribute to the delegation's goals of advancing public policy education and health access in Argentina."

The delegation will have the opportunity to tour Mary's Center's facilities, engage with staff, and participate in discussions on best practices and innovative solutions in health care delivery. By fostering international cooperation and knowledge exchange, Mary's Center aims to contribute to the global dialogue on health system improvements and access to care.

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About Mary's Center: Mary's Center is committed to fostering healthy and thriving communities. With a legacy of over 35 years, we champion a holistic approach to well-being by seamlessly integrating healthcare, educational, and social services. Our model is designed for inclusivity, annually catering to over 65,000 individuals of all ages, incomes, and backgrounds. We believe in empowering our communities towards good health, stability, and economic mobility ensuring everyone can build a brighter future.

About AmCham Argentina: The American Chamber of Commerce in Argentina (AmCham Argentina) is dedicated to fostering a strong relationship between Argentina and the United States through the promotion of trade, investment, and cultural exchange. By facilitating dialogues and partnerships, AmCham Argentina aims to enhance mutual understanding and cooperation.

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