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**Blue Ribbon Panel Announces Second Open Meeting  
on Future of Health Care South of Market**

(San Francisco, April 14, 2008) The Blue Ribbon Panel to California Pacific Medical Center invites the public to its second open meeting to discuss the future of the St. Luke's Campus and the Medical Center's overall approach to the delivery of health care South of Market.

The meeting will take place Wednesday, April 16, 2008 from Noon to 2 p.m. at the Mission Bay Conference Center, in the William J. Rutter Center, Fisher Banquet Room, located at 1675 Owens Street. It will be the first of two data-input meetings to review key facts, trends and population information, California Pacific's Institutional Master Plan, and today's health care options for the South of Market region. The Panel will also discuss ways to incorporate input it is gathering from the throughout the community.

The Blue Ribbon Panel is, led by Chair Stephen M. Shortell, Ph.D., MPH, dean and professor at the UC Berkeley School of Public Health and Vice Chair Rt. Reverend Marc Andrus, bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of California. It was established as an independent body to create a viable plan for an acute care hospital and outpatient services at St. Luke's, which complements and is supported by California Pacific's current institutional plan for all its San Francisco campuses and meets the healthcare needs of the communities served.

"We would like to find a way to keep St. Luke's open as part of an overall health care plan for the city of San Francisco," says Scott Minick, California Pacific board chairman. "We believe that goal is certainly attainable."

"We made significant progress in our first meeting last month by defining the process and outlining the ground rules," adds Shortell. "In the upcoming meeting we will begin to examine the data relevant to our charge."

The Blue Ribbon Panel consists of:

*Chair:* Stephen M. Shortell, Ph.D., MPH, dean and professor at the UC Berkeley School of Public Health

*Vice-Chair:* The Rt. Reverend Marc Andrus, bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of California

*Convener:* The Honorable Michela Alioto-Pier, supervisor, District Two, San Francisco Board of Supervisors

Members:

- Damian Augustyn, M.D., chief of staff, medical executive committee, CPMC
- Kenneth Barnes, M.D., SaveStLukes.org
- Kevin Barnett, DrPH, MCP, senior investigator, Public Health Institute
- Dan Bernal, district director for Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi, Speaker of the House
- Edward Chow, M.D., Chinese Community Health Plan and San Francisco Health Commissioner
- Larry Cruz, board member, Bernal Heights Neighborhood Community Center
- Catherine Dodd, Ph.D., R.N., deputy chief of staff, San Francisco Health and Human Services
- Sister Donovan, Bay Area Organizing Committee
- Steve Falk, president & CEO, San Francisco Chamber of Commerce
- Cheryl Fama, executive director, Peninsula Health Care District, former CEO of St. Francis Hospital
- Jean Fraser, Esq., former CEO, San Francisco Health Plan
- Roma Guy, MSW, former president, Health Commission, designee to the Blue Ribbon Panel by Supervisor Tom Ammiano
- Louis J. Giraud, Esq., co-founder and principal, GESD Capital Partners
- John Gressman, president & CEO, San Francisco Community Clinic Consortium
- Sandra Hernandez, M.D., president, San Francisco Foundation
- Mitchell Katz, M.D., director of Public Health, City and County of San Francisco
- Edward Kersh, M.D., vice chair, St. Luke's Medical Executive Committee
- Paul Kumar, administrative vice president, United Health Workers (SEIU)
- David Lawrence, M.D., former CEO, Kaiser Permanente
- Michael Lighty, director of Public Policy, California Nurses Association
- Gabriel Metcalf, executive director, San Francisco Planning and Urban Research Association
- Anthony Miles, CPMC board member
- Jacob Moody, executive director, Bayview Hunter's Point Foundation
- Robert Morales, secretary-treasurer, Sanitary Truck Drivers and Helpers, Local 350
- Laura Norrell, M.D., medical director, St. Luke's Women's Center, designee to the Blue Ribbon Panel by San Francisco Supervisor Michela Alioto-Pier
- Tim Paulson, executive director, San Francisco Labor Council
- Anthony Wagner, former vice president of Labor Relations, Kaiser Permanente; former executive administrator, San Francisco Department of Health
- Jim Wunderman, CEO, Bay Area Council

The Blue Ribbon Panel, which met for the first time on March 20, will meet for a total of seven sessions including April 16, May 8, May 19, June 3 and June 18. A meeting between the panel and the public to discuss several options will be added in late May. The panel expects to publish its report at the end of June.

***California Pacific Medical Center. Beyond Medicine.***

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