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*The CIUSSS de l'Ouest-de-l'Île-de-Montréal Sets the Record Straight*

## The CIUSSS de l'Ouest-de-l'Île-de-Montréal Contacted UPAC on its Own Initiative

**Pointe-Claire – May 4, 2017** – The *Centre intégré universitaire de santé et services sociaux de l'Ouest-de-l'Île-de-Montréal* (CIUSSS de l'Ouest-de-l'Île-de-Montréal – Montreal West Island CIUSSS) would like to clarify information published in the media concerning the *Unité permanente anticorruption* (UPAC – permanent anti-corruption unit)'s interest with St. Mary's Hospital Center (SMHC).

The *CIUSSS de l'Ouest-de-l'Île-de-Montréal* states the following:

- The *CIUSSS de l'Ouest-de-l'Île-de-Montréal* recently completed a thorough internal investigation, conducted on its own initiative, into a specific matter at SMHC;
- The events leading to the investigation took place before the creation of the *CIUSSS de l'Ouest-de-l'Île-de-Montréal*, namely before the health and social services network reform on April 1, 2015;
- Following its investigation, the *CIUSSS de l'Ouest-de-l'Île-de-Montréal* considered appropriate to communicate the information to UPAC. As such, the *CIUSSS de l'Ouest-de-l'Île-de-Montréal* is cooperating fully and entirely with the latter;
- The *CIUSSS de l'Ouest-de-l'Île-de-Montréal* has always demonstrated transparency, integrity, and diligence.
- The high quality of care and services provided by SMHC is not, nor has it ever been, in question.

The *CIUSSS de l'Ouest-de-l'Île-de-Montréal* will not comment further on this matter to allow the competent authorities to do their work.

The *Centre intégré universitaire de santé et de services sociaux de l'Ouest-de-l'Île-de-Montréal* (Montréal West Island Integrated University Health and Social Services Centre) emerged from the grouping of the West-Island HSSC, the CSSS Dorval-Lachine-LaSalle, the St. Mary's Hospital Center, the Douglas Mental Health University Institute, the West Montreal Readaptation Centre, the Grace Dart Extended Care Centre, Batshaw Youth and Family Centres, and Ste. Anne's Hospital.

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