Infectious disease specialist joins Ascension Medical Group Sacred Heart in Pensacola

Pensacola, Fla. (July 20, 2020) – Infectious disease specialist Khaled Rikabi, MD, has joined Ascension Medical Group Sacred Heart's regional network of doctors. Dr. Rikabi will see patients at Ascension Sacred Heart Pensacola, with follow-up appointments and outpatient consultations available at 1549 Airport Blvd, Suite 430, in Pensacola.

As an infectious disease specialist with more than 20 years of experience, Dr. Rikabi diagnoses and treats conditions such as pneumonia, HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis B and C, tuberculosis and tropical diseases such as malaria, as well as infections that are difficult to diagnose, those that are resistant to treatment and those that are travel-related. For information or to schedule an appointment, call 850-416-1817.

Dr. Rikabi graduated with his bachelor's degree and medical degree from the American University of Beirut in Lebanon. He completed an internal medicine residency at St. Agnes Hospital in Baltimore, where he was named executive chief resident, and he received fellowships in infectious disease care from the University of Vermont in Burlington, Vermont, and Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, Michigan.

He has presented his research at the Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America and the International Society of Anti-Infective Pharmacology. Dr. Rikabi is a member of the American Society of Microbiology, the Infectious Disease Society of America, the American Medical Association, the American College of Physicians and the American College of Physician Executives. He comes to Pensacola from Gulfport, Mississippi. He continues to serve as an assistant clinical professor at the University of South Alabama.

Ascension Medical Group Sacred Heart offers the largest network of primary care and specialty physicians in Northwest Florida, with more than 80 locations and 300 providers along the Gulf Coast from Gulf Shores, Ala., to Apalachicola, Fla. Doctors from more than 25 specialties provide personalized, compassionate care to people of all ages. To find a doctor and request an appointment, call 850-416-2337 or visit ascension.org/doctors.

About Ascension Sacred Heart
In Florida, Ascension operates Ascension Sacred Heart based in Pensacola and Ascension St. Vincent's based in Jacksonville. Together, Ascension Florida operates seven hospitals and more than 100 other sites of care and employs more than 11,000 associates. Across the region, Ascension Sacred Heart and Ascension St. Vincent's have served North Florida communities for more than 145 years. In fiscal year 2019, they provided nearly $180 million in community benefit and care of persons living in poverty. Ascension is a faith-based healthcare organization committed to delivering compassionate, personalized care to all, with special attention to persons living in poverty and those most vulnerable. Ascension is one of the leading non-profit and Catholic health systems in the U.S., operating 2,600 sites of care – including 150 hospitals

and more than 50 senior living facilities – in 20 states and the District of Columbia. Visit www.ascension.org and www.studerfamilychildrenshospital.com.

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