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# **One Jefferson News**

### Welcome

October 2017

Over the past month, we have continued our One Jefferson journey and achieved a number of integration successes for the organization as well as our patient and student communities. In this issue of *One Jefferson News*, we invite you to join us in celebrating the recent addition of Kennedy to Jefferson Health and a new college structure for Jefferson (Philadelphia University + Thomas Jefferson University) set to launch in 2018.

During this time of continued organizational evolution, we recognize the importance of frequent communications and celebrating the many accomplishments of our talented team. If you have questions or ideas, we welcome you to email **Performance.Excellence@jefferson.edu**. Thanks to all who have reached out to us with great input in support of the One Jefferson journey. We look forward to providing continued feedback and engaging in active dialogue.

### Jefferson and Kennedy Become One

On September 14, Jefferson Health and Kennedy Health marked their historic merger with a formal signing event, bringing together two widely recognized and respected institutions to provide expanded and specialized health care to patients in South Jersey.

Together, Jefferson and Kennedy will determine the strategic healthcare priorities in southern New Jersey and expect to conveniently serve even more patients with enhanced services close to home. Like Jefferson, Kennedy Health has a well-deserved reputation for their commitment to the communities they serve. Founded in 1965 as a small farming community hospital, Kennedy Health has grown a 607-bed health system with services in Washington Township, Cherry Hill, Stratford, and outpatient facilities throughout Camden and Gloucester counties.

Following the merger announcement, Kennedy Health hospital locations have been renamed Jefferson Cherry Hill Hospital, Jefferson Stratford Hospital, and Jefferson Washington Township Hospital. Joseph Devine, is now President for the New Jersey division of Jefferson Health, and Executive Vice President of Hospital and Health Services at Jefferson Health.

The renaming is part of a unifying change to highlight Jefferson's southern New Jersey hub as we continue our efforts to improve lives and bring world-class health care to patients in their local communities.

Welcome to all of our New Jersey team members!





Leaders from Jefferson and Kennedy gathered for a celebratory signing event marking their merger on September 14, and unveiled new Jefferson Health branding and signage at Jefferson Cherry Hill Hospital on October 4.



### New College Structure at TJU Launches 2018

As we continue to improve the lives of our students along the One Jefferson journey, Jefferson (Philadelphia University + Thomas Jefferson University) will launch a new College of Rehabilitation Sciences and a College of Humanities and Sciences. The College of Health Professions will expand to add new programs and the College of Biomedical Sciences will be renamed the College of Life Sciences to better reflect its new portfolio of undergraduate and graduate programs.

These changes represent a realignment of departments and programs from the College of Health Professions and the College of Science, Health and the Liberal Arts to optimize the academic experience for our students.

As of July 1, 2018, the University will include the following colleges and schools:

- College of Architecture and the Built Environment
- Kanbar College of Design, Engineering and Commerce
  - School of Design and Engineering
  - School of Business Administration
- College of Health Professions
- College of Humanities and Sciences
- College of Life Sciences
- College of Nursing
- College of Population Health
- College of Pharmacy
- College of Rehabilitation Sciences
- Sidney Kimmel Medical College
- School of Continuing and Professional Studies



Thomas Jefferson University's Center City (left) and East Falls (right) locations to launch a new college structure in 2018.

This enhanced structure is advancing Jefferson's commitment to: integrate its offerings by aggregating similar programs under unified leadership; leverage tremendous faculty talent across the University; accelerate growth through synergies among educational offerings; and create unique models for transdisciplinary teaching and learning.

Between now and July 1, Jefferson leadership, including Stephen Spinelli, Jr., PhD, Chancellor, Jefferson, and Mark Tykocinski, MD, Vice Chancellor and Provost, Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and The Anthony F. and Gertrude M. DePalma Dean of Sidney Kimmel Medical College, will work closely with faculty to build these colleges and create work teams for governance, finance, curriculum development and more. Throughout the planning, the deans will seek to be inclusive of all interested.

Special thanks to all who will be applying their creativity and hard work to evolve our college structure for students across the region.

