

Our Vision

"The Casa Sollievo della Sofferenza should therefore be the first link in a great chain. It should be the model for many other, innumerable Casa's with the same name and above all the same spirit, which must bring love to all of humanity. A program which would make us tremble with awe, if it was not inspired by God who is above all love!"

This Collaboration Agreement...

... is made on this the 1st day of October, 2009 by and between Casa Sollievo della Sofferenza ("CSS") and Catholic Healthcare International ("CHI").

WHEREAS, Padre Pio of Pietrelcina, now St. Pio, developed CSS as a "Clinic for the body and the soul" to serve Jesus in the poor and the sick, under the mandate of complete obedience to the Magisterium of the Catholic Church and its moral and ethical teachings on healthcare; and,

WHEREAS, it was the expressed vision of the founders of CSS that it be: "...the first link in a great chain. It should be the model for many other, innumerable Casas with the same name, and above all the same spirit, which must bring Love to all of humanity."; and,

WHEREAS, CHI was incorporated with the primary mission and vision to join CSS in implementing this vision to expand the network of Casa's in various locations around the world; and,

WHEREAS, CHI and CSS have entered into this Collaboration Agreement for the purpose of forming a Collaboration Team that will ultimately make recommendations regarding the development of more hospitals throughout the world with the same name and same spirit as the *Casa Sollievo della Sofferenza*.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement effective as of the Effective Date written above.

Agreed:

CASA SOLLIEVO DELLA SOFFERENZA:

CATHOLIC HEALTHCARE INTERNATIONAL:

Most Reverend Domenico D'Ambrosio
President, CSS

Reverend Monsignor Vernon E. Gardin
Director, CHI

Dott. Domenico Crupi
General Director, CSS

Jere Palazzolo
President, CHI

THE FOREGOING COLLABORATION AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED IN MY PRESENCE BY THE PARTIES LISTED ABOVE ON THE 1st DAY OF OCTOBER, 2009:

Most Reverend Raymond Burke
Prefect, The Supreme Tribunal of the Apostolic Signatura