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FMCS Issues Joint Statement on Behalf of Barton Healthcare System and the California Nurses Association

WASHINGTON, D.C. — On behalf of Barton Healthcare System (Barton Health) and the California Nurses Association (CNA), the U.S. Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service (FMCS) has issued the following statement:

"With the assistance of FMCS, Barton Health and CNA collectively have agreed to work with FMCS in mediated labor negotiations towards a new collective bargaining agreement. Only official representatives of CNA are authorized to speak on behalf of CNA with regard to any matters related to the parties' negotiations. Similarly, only official representatives of Barton Health are authorized to speak on behalf of Barton Health with regard to any matters related to the parties' negotiations."

As is Agency practice, FMCS does not disclose information regarding meeting dates and locations, nor information regarding the status or substance of the negotiations.

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The Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, created in 1947, is an independent U.S. government agency whose mission is to preserve and promote labor-management peace and cooperation. Headquartered in Washington, DC, with 10 district offices and more than 60 field offices, the agency provides mediation and conflict resolution services to industry, government agencies and communities.