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**ARCHCARE APPOINTS DR. WALID MICHELEN  
SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT OF CLINICAL PLANNING AND INNOVATION  
AND CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER**

**NEW YORK, Jan. 2, 2018** – ArchCare, the healthcare system of the Archdiocese of New York, announced today that it has appointed Walid Michelen, M.D., as senior vice president of clinical planning and innovation and chief medical officer.

Dr. Michelen, an internal medicine specialist and expert in population health management, will be responsible for overall clinical leadership and integration across ArchCare’s network of long-term skilled nursing facilities, short-term post-acute care and rehabilitation centers, home care services, health plans and other programs, which together care for more than 8,000 seniors and people with special health and social needs daily across New York City, Westchester and the Hudson Valley.

Dr. Michelen joins ArchCare as the archdiocesan health system is focused on establishing itself as a clinically integrated care network. Clinically integrated networks are designed to improve patient health by using evidence-based care protocols, centralizing clinical education, health information and other functions and partnering with providers and payers across the healthcare continuum to improve care quality and efficiency and reduce the overall cost of care.

“From his earliest days as a physician in the Bronx, Dr. Michelen has devoted his career to improving care quality and access to vital health services in underserved communities,” said Scott LaRue, ArchCare’s president and CEO. “He brings to ArchCare a strong track record of innovation in population health management, value-based service delivery, shared-risk arrangements and the standardization of clinical and operational best practices, all of which are central to our strategy of becoming a clinically integrated health system dedicated to the care of New York’s most vulnerable and medically complex populations.”

Dr. Michelen said, “I look forward to the opportunity to make a contribution to ArchCare, a growing, forward-looking organization that is fully committed to its mission.”

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Dr. Michelen comes to ArchCare from New York City Health + Hospitals (H+H), where he most recently served as chief medical officer for ambulatory care services and CEO and chief medical officer of Gotham Health, a network of six healthcare centers and more than 40 satellite sites created to deliver primary care to families and individuals in high-need neighborhoods. Earlier, he served in a variety of senior executive roles at H+H, including chief of staff and director of program development for Generations+/Northern Manhattan Health Network, acting chief operating officer of Lincoln Hospital, and executive and medical director of the city health system's three diagnostic and treatment centers.

Dr. Michelen began his medical career in 1980 as a primary care physician at a neighborhood family care center in the Bronx. Since then, he has served in a variety of roles, including vice president and chief medical officer for community health at New York Presbyterian Hospital, senior vice president of medical and professional affairs at H+H, medical director at North Central Bronx Hospital and program director for internal medicine residency training and chief of the Division of Rheumatology at Bronx Lebanon Hospital Center.

A graduate of the City University of New York, Dr. Michelen received his M.D. degree from Cornell University Medical School in 1977. He currently serves as an assistant professor in both the Department of Medicine and the Mailman School of Public Health at Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons.

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### **About ArchCare**

ArchCare is the Continuing Care Community of the Archdiocese of New York and one of the nation's largest and most dynamic Catholic healthcare systems. Every day, ArchCare provides quality care to more than 8,000 of people of all faiths throughout the 10-county archdiocese and beyond through its home and community-based and residential care programs, including health plans and nursing home alternatives, adult day care, long-term skilled nursing care, short-term rehabilitation, home care, assisted living, hospice, an acute care specialty hospital and services for people with Huntington's disease, HIV/AIDS, developmental disabilities and other specialized care needs.

