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**Horizon Announces New Contract with Mercy Care
to Provide Services to People with Serious Mental Illness**

Services will be provided at Horizon's Apache Junction Clinic

APACHE JUNCTION, AZ (March 18, 2021) – Horizon Health and Wellness has just joined Mercy Care's SMI Network. Horizon will be providing integrated health care services to members with serious mental illness. Services will be provided at Horizon's Apache Junction Clinic located at 625 N. Plaza Drive.

"We are thrilled to be part of the Mercy Care SMI network," said Laura Larson-Huffaker, CEO of Horizon Health and Wellness. "Horizon takes pride in being able to provide vital services to address both physical and mental health needs. This means better overall health for the people we serve."

Serious Mental Illness (SMI) is defined as a mental, behavioral or emotional disorder resulting in serious functional impairment, which substantially interferes with or limits one or more major life activities.

Some of the Horizon services available for Mercy Care members with an SMI condition include the following:

- Integrated Health Care (behavioral health and physical health)
- Counseling
- MAT Services – Suboxone (Medication Assistance Treatment)
- IOP and SOP for Substance Use (Intensive and Standard Outpatient Programs)
- Employment Services
- Supported Housing
- Trauma Program
- Chronic Disease Management Groups

Horizon's health care team for these services include clinical coordinators, physicians, psychiatrists, nurses, case managers, and peer/family support that consider overall wellness of both the mind and body.

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About Horizon Health and Wellness

Horizon Health and Wellness is a non-profit integrated health care provider licensed in Arizona and accredited through the Joint Commission to deliver an extensive array of inpatient, outpatient and residential services for all ages and stages of life. Horizon offers comprehensive health care services that include family medicine, emotional and behavioral health, addiction treatment, and Telehealth. For more information, call (833) 431-4449 or visit www.hhwaz.org.