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## Kenmore Mercy's Michael Gough, MD, appointed to **Catholic Health leadership role**

Michael Gough, MD, FCCP, has been named as System Medical Director Critical Care for Catholic Health.

In his new role, Dr. Gough will provide clinical leadership for all Catholic Health and Trinity Medical critical care physicians and advanced practice providers though a physician-administrator partnership. As System Medical Director, he will not only have clinical responsibilities as a critical care intensivist, he will also lead the development and execution of all critical care services according to evidence-based practices and patient centric care models.

A pulmonologist and intensivist, Dr. Gough has been an integral member of the medical staff since joining Kenmore Mercy in 2010. During the COVID pandemic, he served as a Medical Director of the COVID-19 Treatment Center at St. Joseph Campus and, more recently, he helped establish the COVID-19 Support Group at Kenmore Mercy Hospital.

"Dr. Gough has been an exemplary leader, and we look forward to working with him to promote high quality patient care and safety across all of our Catholic Health Intensive Care Units," said Hans Cassagnol, MD, MMM, Executive Vice President/Chief Physician Executive.

For the past decade, he has worked in collaboration with Dr. James Fitzpatrick seeing pulmonary patients at the Kenmore Specialty Center. He also serves on the Catholic Medical Partners Board, Kenmore Mercy Hospital Foundation Board, and Catholic Health Ministry Services Board. He served four years as an elected leader of the Catholic Health Medical Staff and will be completing his term as President in April. In 2021, he received the Sister Mary Mechtilde Memorial Award from the Kenmore Mercy Foundation, recognizing his work caring for critical care patients during the pandemic.

A graduate of the SUNY Buffalo School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, Dr. Gough completed an Internal Medicine residency and fellowship in Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine at the University of Rochester Medical Center. He is also a Fellow of the American College of Chest Physicians. Board certified in Internal Medicine, Pulmonary Disease, and Critical Care Medicine, he is a Clinical Assistant Professor of Medicine at the University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences.

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