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### **Lucile Packard Stanford Children's Hospital, Recognized as a National Watson Caring Science Affiliate System™**

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**Boulder, CO** – Watson Caring Science Institute (WCSI) and Dr. Jean Watson are proud to announce the Lucile Packard Stanford Children's Hospital, California, has been named a National Watson Caring Science System™.

The designation recognizes Lucile Packard Stanford Children's Hospital's exemplary integration of caring theory and leadership commitment to offer informed Caring Science practices, to their patients and their families. Lucile Packard Stanford Children's Hospital joins its other Hospital, Stanford Healthcare to have received the prestigious 'National Caring Science' recognition status.

Kelly M. Johnson, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, Chief Nursing Officer and vice president of patient care services at Lucile Packard Stanford Children's Hospital said: "We are delighted to be recognized as a WCSI National Caring Science System™. By integrating the WCSI ethos of Caring Science into everything we do shows we are committed to providing outstanding caring science for patients, family and staff."

Jean Watson, Founder and Director of WCSI said: "Lucile Packard Stanford Children's Hospital has shown their commitment towards authentic, deep-rooted and sustainable Caring Science. We are thrilled to welcome the organization as a National Caring Science System™ to further develop the emerging field of Caring Science."

To become a National Caring Science System™, Lucile Packard Stanford Children's Hospital demonstrated to WCSI the authentically, deep-rooted and sustainable commitment to integrating Caring Science to transform and broaden whole person health and healing for its staff, patients, families and the surrounding community.

#### **About Watson Caring Science Institute (WCSI)**

The WCSI is an international non-profit organization that advances the philosophies, theories and practices of Human Caring/Caring Science. It was founded by Jean Watson, PhD, RN, AHN-BC, FAAN, who serves as founder and director. Focusing on research, education, praxis and legacy, the institute aims to widen the development and understanding of Caring Science to inform our notion of quality care and healing environments. Currently there are over 400 hospitals throughout the USA with many other partner Healthcare systems globally using the WCSI theory. There are now over 350 WCSI trained practitioner leaders or 'Caritas Coaches' throughout the world. Texts on Watson's theory of caring is taught in Universities worldwide and translated into over 7 languages.

To become a National Caring Science System™ of WCSI, an organization must demonstrate specific criteria related to authentic human caring- healing practices for its whole community.

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## About Jean Watson

Jean Watson is a Distinguished Professor Emerita and Dean Emerita of the University of Colorado Denver, College of Nursing, where she held the Endowed Chair in Caring Science at the University of Colorado Denver and Health Sciences Center. for 16 years. She is the founder of the original Center for Human Caring in Colorado' the recipient of numerous awards and honors, including the National Fetzner Institute Norman Cousins Award, an International Kellogg Fellowship in Australia, a Fulbright Research and Lecture Award in Sweden, and 14 honorary doctorate degrees. Watson is the author of more than 100 publications in Caring Science and of more than 30 books on the Science of Human Caring™, including the classic: *Nursing. The Philosophy and Science of Caring* which identifies the 10 core "Caritas Processes®" - universals of human caring, necessary for studying and implementing a model of Caring Science in practice. This work restores the deep-spiritual dimensions of Love with caring-healing as the foundation for preparing a new level of practitioners in Caring Science/Caritas HealthCare.

Dr. Watson was designated a Living Legend by the American Academy of Nursing, its highest honor.

## About Lucile Packard Stanford Children's Hospital, California

Lucile Packard Stanford Children's Hospital is the only health care system in the San Francisco Bay Area—and one of the few in the country—exclusively dedicated to pediatric and obstetric care. Their physicians and health care teams offer comprehensive clinical services, from treatments for rare and complex conditions to well-child care at more than 60 locations.

The Hospital is ranked in all 10 pediatric specialties by U.S. News & World Report. Their academic affiliation with Stanford Medicine and Stanford University, means that they have access to some of the best innovative minds in medicine, science and research working to develop ground-breaking advances and new discoveries.

Discover more at [stanfordchildrens.org](http://stanfordchildrens.org)



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