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“Burke Rehabilitation Hospital to Host Walking Tour of Historic Grounds on August 14”

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White Plains, NY – July 24th, 2018 – Burke Rehabilitation Hospital is offering visitors a chance to discover the rich history of its beautiful century-old grounds. On Tuesday, August 14, the hospital will hold a walking tour of the White Plains campus at 12:30 p.m.

Hosted by Richard Sgaglio, Ph.D., Burke’s Vice President of Marketing, Communications and Development, the tour will lead visitors around the hospital’s beautiful buildings designed by McKim, Mead & White – the historic architectural firm behind multiple famed landmarks, including the original Penn Station and the iconic Washington Square Park arch. The tour will offer a wealth of fascinating information about the hospital’s history and importance to the health of New Yorkers throughout the 20th century, as well as a plethora of fun facts and urban legends about Burke and its property.

“Visitors will learn about the founding benefactor of the hospital, John Masterson Burke, and the gilded age architecture that peppers the 61-acre property,” says Sgaglio. “The tour offers a rare glimpse into the historical side of the hospital as opposed to the medical.”

The event is free and all members of the public are invited to attend. The tour will begin and end in the lobby of the Billings building (building #4), and run approximately



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45 minutes to an hour. Light refreshments will be served. Additionally, guests with limited mobility must note this at registration so appropriate accommodations can be made in advance.

Group size is limited for the tour, so please RSVP by calling (914)-597-2848 or emailing externalrelations@burke.org.

Burke Rehabilitation Hospital is a not-for-profit, acute rehabilitation hospital in White Plains, NY. Founded in 1915 through an endowment from philanthropist John Masterson Burke, it is the only hospital in Westchester County dedicated solely to adult rehabilitation medicine. As of 2016, the hospital is now a part of the Montefiore Health System, Inc. Burke offers both inpatient and outpatient programs for those who have experienced a disabling illness, traumatic injury or surgery. For additional information, please visit burke.org.

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