

EVIDENCE IN ACTION

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CEO Address: The Guardians of Public Protection

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39M
Admissions

156M
ER visits

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Architects of trust
Ones who stand in the storm





IDEALS

Because we care





*"Life Before Death,
Strength Before Weakness,
Journey Before Destination."*

*Listening leads
to evidence.*

*Evidence leads
to action.*

*And action is what
protects the public.*



COMPASSION

that sees the invisible



PROTECTION

that stand firm





JUSTICE

that does not flinch

UNITY

that builds strength





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