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Dear Polish CREIGHTON MODEL & NaProTECHNOLOGY® Providers: Practitioners, Educators Medical Consultants, Interns

I have always been very pleased with my decision that the only time the Institute brought all the Institute education programs - Medical Consultant, Practitioner and Educator - to another country was to Poland! I made this decision to thank St. John Paul II for his support of the work of the Saint Paul VI Institute. I was very blessed to have met St. John Paul II on a number of occasions and to know the Holy Father's support.

St. John Paul II wrote the following to our now retired Archbishop Curtiss of Omaha:

"The Pope Paul VI Institute in Omaha Nebraska gives me great hope for the future."

These special words from Pope John Paul II (now Saint John Paul II) will always be deeply cherished by myself and the staff of the now Saint Paul VI Institute.

In 2015, I wrote in an invitation letter to the Polish Working Group (FCCP) the following:

"What is most important is that there be developed a sense of trust and respect amongst each other ..... as we have the same values and direction.

It is my personal feeling that you are all interested in working towards the same goals and that you need to come together and learn to work together with each other so that this can get off the ground in a really well- organized fashion so that it can begin to grow."

Since that time, the world-wide growth of this work on every continent, except Antarctica, has taken much of our time. Over the years, I have been kept up-to-date regarding the situation in Poland with CREIGHTON MODEL FertilityCare™ System and NaProTECHNOLOGY®.

Unfortunately, the initial working group - FCCP - that I wrote to them in 2015, has not established the desired unity of the FCCP members and consequently the ongoing support of the practitioners and medical consultants has suffered.

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The FCCP working relationship has also suffered over the years in spite of our efforts to work together.

Due to the fact that the Saint Paul VI Institute no longer can wait for cooperation from FCCP, the decision has been made at this is the time to re-energize this important work in Poland to serve the Medical Consultants and **FertilityCare**<sup>™</sup> Practitioners, many of whom attended the Institute's Education Program.

My attorney son, Paul Hilgers, the Institute's Administrator, President of FertilityCare<sup>™</sup> Centers of America (FCCA) and Board member of FertilityCare<sup>™</sup> Centers International (FCCI), has been directly involved with the Polish issues over a number of years. Paul will continue now as the official representative of the Saint Paul VI Institute and will update me on progress. Sue Hilgers, CFCE and Co-Developer of the CREIGHTON MODEL, will work closely with Paul.

The Saint Paul VI Institute will now collaborate *only* with Ewa Jurczyk, CFCE, on this renewed effort in Poland. Ewa is the only Certified Practitioner and Educator in Poland. She is also a part of **Fertility***Care*<sup>™</sup> **Centers of Europe** since November 2019. Unfortunately, the FCCP refused to join FCCE and the monthly phone calls with other European leaders.

Ewa has worked diligently to promote **CrMS** not only in Poland but also in Europe as Faculty on European Practitioner Programs. Also, we have worked closely with Ewa to support her as Education Program Director of her first Education Program in Kraków, 2021.

Thank you for joining this important mission of **women's life affirming healthcare** and serving Polish women and couples. Additional announcements will be forthcoming.

Saint John Paul II pray for us!

Sincerely yours,

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