

Community Healthcare Network and the Latino Commission on AIDS Partner with Trinity Biotech to test Miss Dominican Republic–U.S. for HIV in Recognition of National HIV Testing Day

New York, NY (June 26, 2008) – Trinity Biotech (NASDAQ: TRIB) is pleased to announce the reigning Miss Dominican Republic-U.S. Jennifer Peña will publicly test for HIV to encourage other Latinos to take the HIV test and serve as a model for the importance of being tested to know one's HIV status.

The event will take place at 11:00 AM (ET) on June 26, 2008 at Community Healthcare Network's (CHN) Downtown Health Center at 150 Essex Street in Manhattan. To promote and encourage rapid HIV testing, the Community Healthcare Network and the Latino Commission on AIDS will test Ms. Peña with the Uni-Gold Recombigen HIV-1 rapid test. Manufactured by Trinity Biotech, the Uni-Gold test can be done in ten minutes, allowing those tested to receive results in a timely manner.

"The Latino community continues to be disproportionately impacted by HIV/AIDS," said Dennis de Leon, President of the Latino Commission on AIDS. "Latinos account for 14% of the U.S. population and 19% of AIDS cases. Only through more routine HIV testing can we begin to reduce the rate of infection among Latinos."

"With the CDC estimating that more than one million people in the U.S. are now living with HIV/AIDS and approximately 25 percent unaware of their status, Community Healthcare Network recognizes the importance of providing HIV counseling and testing each and every day," said Catherine M. Abate, Community Healthcare Network's president and CEO. "We look to National HIV Testing Day as an opportunity to increase awareness about the importance of HIV counseling and testing."

"CHN is proud to partner with the Latino Commission on AIDS and Trinity Biotech on this testing event," said Dr. Freddy Molano, Community Healthcare Network's assistant vice president for HIV programs. "Our health centers were among the first in New York City to offer rapid testing and last year we tested more than 19,000 individuals with the rapid testing technology. Brendan Farrell, Chief Executive Officer of Trinity Biotech, commented, "Trinity Biotech is honored to be asked to support this important initiative which will help to raise awareness of the need for HIV screening for all US citizens between the ages of 13 and 64. The use of rapid HIV tests such as Trinity's UniGold will greatly facilitate this goal."

Community Healthcare Network (CHN) is a not-for-profit organization providing access to affordable, culturally-competent and comprehensive community-based primary care, mental health and social services for diverse populations in underserved communities throughout New York City. CHN serves more than 65,000 individuals a year who would otherwise have little or no access to critical health care. CHN is composed of 10 federally qualified health centers and is accredited by the Joint Commission. To learn more about CHN visit our website at www.chnnyc.org.

Trinity Biotech develops, acquires, manufactures and markets diagnostic systems, including both reagents and instrumentation, for the point-of-care and clinical laboratory segments of the diagnostic market. The products are used to detect infectious diseases and blood coagulation disorders, and to quantify the level of Haemoglobin A1c and other chemistry parameters in serum, plasma and whole blood. Trinity Biotech sells direct in the United States, Germany, France and the U.K. and through a network of international distributors and strategic partners in over 75 countries worldwide. For further information please see the Company's website: www.trinitybiotech.com.

The Latino Commission on AIDS is a nonprofit membership organization founded in 1990 and dedicated to fighting the spread of HIV/AIDS in the Latino community. The Commission realizes its mission by spearheading health advocacy for Latinos, promoting HIV education, developing model prevention programs for high-risk communities, and by building capacity in community organizations. The Commission is the leading national Latino AIDS organizations coordinating National Latino AIDS Awareness Day and other advocacy programs in more than 40 States and Puerto Rico.

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