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Chicora Physician Appointed President of the Medical Staff at BMH

Chicora, PA (November 3, 2006) - David A. Evanko, M.D. was recently appointed president of the Medical Staff at Butler Memorial Hospital. Prior to this new office, he served as secretary, treasurer and as last year's president-elect. He has also served as chairman of several medical staff committees such as by-laws and physician well-being. His term runs through September 2007.

Dr. David Evanko has practiced medicine at Butler Memorial Hospital since 1984 as the full-time physician with the Butler Medical Associates office in Chicora. He specializes in family medicine, geriatrics and addiction medicine. He also currently serves as the Medical Director for the entire Butler Medical Associates physician network that is owned and operated by Butler Health System.

Earning a Bachelor of Science degree in biophysics and microbiology from the University of Pittsburgh and a Master of Science degree in bacteriology/immunology from Wagner College, he studied in Spain and then served a family practice residency with the Medical Center of Beaver County before he started practicing in Chicora with Butler Medical Associates.

Dr. Evanko also is the Director of the Child Intervention team at Butler Memorial Hospital for suspected child abuse, and he provides medical services for Summit Academy, a residential program for juvenile offenders. The Chicora office, under his direction, provides a heroin outpatient detox program and provides medical care for area nursing homes.

"Dr. Evanko has been a long-standing member of our team of physicians here at Butler Memorial Hospital and he will represent the 210 physicians that are part of the medical staff at BMH," says Mike Busch, System Vice President with Butler Health System. "As president, he will serve as the liaison between the medical staff and the Board of Trustees at Butler Health System and its administrative/management team. He is the key leadership this year for physicians and will determine and guide clinical quality and treatment within Butler Health System."

Dr. Evanko is a member of the American Academy of Family Practice, the Pennsylvania Medical Society, the Butler County Medical Society, the Pennsylvania Academy of Family Physicians, the American Society of Addiction Medicine and the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children. He serves as a clinical instructor with the Department of Family Medicine and Epidemiology at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine. He is the medical director of Gaiser Addiction Center and serves as a consultant with Butler Area Agency on Aging, Children and Youth Services of Butler County; and Value Behavioral Health.

Dr. Evanko is a resident of Butler Township where lives with his wife and their four children.

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