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Newport Hospital Hires John Camus as Director of Physician Practices

LENEXA, Kan. (July 13, 2010)—After conducting a nationwide retained search led by health leadership solutions firm [B. E. Smith](#), Newport Hospital in Newport, R.I., has hired John Camus to fill the role of director of physician practices. A seasoned healthcare practice administrator with more than 20 years of executive leadership experience, Camus will assume his new duties at Newport Hospital on September 6.

“John has extensive knowledge and experience with managing operational workflows in the healthcare setting,” said August Cordeiro, president and CEO, Newport Hospital. “His ability to partner with physicians while improving patient access and satisfaction will position Newport Hospital for continued growth in the coming years.”

Prior to joining Newport Hospital, Camus served as CEO with Olean Medical Group, LLP in Olean, N.Y., where he had executive leadership responsibility for a multi-practice specialty group with 28 physicians providing care to more than 90,000 patients in the Olean area. His career has included executive leadership positions at Hampden County Physician Associates, Sisters of Providence Health System—Mercy Medical Center Campus, and Physician Practice Partners—RiverBend Medical Group, all in Springfield, Mass. Camus completed a master's of business administration at Western New England College in Springfield.

[Newport Hospital](#) is a 129-bed community hospital offering a broad range of medical services, including 24-hour emergency care, diagnostic imaging, a birthing center, behavioral health unit, a clinical laboratory, comprehensive surgical services, intensive care, acute inpatient and outpatient rehabilitation.

“Newport Hospital needed a healthcare executive with proven success in new program development and improved customer satisfaction,” according to Kathy Noland, RN, Ph.D., senior vice president of executive search for B. E. Smith, the leadership solutions firm who conducted the nationwide practice administrator search for Newport Hospital. “John’s background and skill set will help continue the growth pattern the hospital has established in recent years.”

About Newport Hospital:

Founded in 1873, Newport Hospital in Newport, R.I., provides comprehensive health services to Newport County and nearby towns. The hospital offers high-quality care and medical technology to tens of thousands of people annually. The level of sophistication of Newport Hospital's medical equipment and software surpasses that of most community hospitals, making it possible for local residents to benefit from state-of-the-art technology without leaving their community. The hospital has received the coveted Magnet designation from the American Nurses Association and the Baby-Friendly designation from the World Health Organization and UNICEF. For more information, visit <http://www.newporthospital.org>.

About B. E. Smith:

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