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The Johns Hopkins Hospital and TeamHealth Announce Joint Administrative Fellowship

(KNOXVILLE, Tenn., and BALTIMORE, Md.) – April 11, 2007 – The Johns Hopkins Hospital and TeamHealth announced today the establishment of an Emergency Medicine Administrative Fellowship that will be jointly sponsored by the two organizations. The collaborative effort between the 118-year-old medical institution and TeamHealth, the nation's largest provider of hospital-based clinical outsourcing and administrative services, is believed to be the only such program formalized between an academic medical center and a private organization.

The Johns Hopkins/TeamHealth Administrative Fellowship will provide experience in both a clinical setting and a business environment and is designed as a unique training opportunity for future medical/business leaders.

"The management of an emergency department is becoming increasingly complex," said Gabor Kelen, M.D., FACEP, FAAEM, FRCP(C), professor and chair of the department of emergency medicine at The Johns Hopkins Hospital. "Common issues like overcrowding, staffing shortages and budget constraints are not always addressed in a physician's clinical training but are part of the real life challenges facing EDs now and in the future. Programs like this fellowship will equip the next generation of ED directors with the tools they need to deal with these demands."

Lasanta Horana, M.D., has been named the 2007 Johns Hopkins/TeamHealth Administrative Fellow and will begin the program in July 2007. Dr. Horana received his medical degree at the Robert Wood Johnson Medical School of Rutgers University and completed his internship and residency in emergency medicine at Johns Hopkins University.

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As part of the program, Dr. Horana will have clinical responsibilities at The Johns Hopkins Hospital as well as area hospitals where TeamHealth provides emergency department staffing and management services. He will work with the chair of the Johns Hopkins emergency department in an administrative capacity and is expected to publish research focused on best practices, benchmarking and economic impacts of various treatments and/or testing, utilizing data from the study of more than seven million annual patient visits to emergency departments in TeamHealth client hospitals.

“I am grateful for this fellowship and pleased to be able to practice emergency medicine while conducting research in important areas that may benefit the greater emergency medicine community,” said Dr. Horana.

“We at TeamHealth are pleased to participate in this partnership with such a prestigious institution as Johns Hopkins,” said Lynn Massingale, M.D., FACEP, founder and chief executive officer of TeamHealth. “This unique opportunity to combine best practices from the worlds of academia and the private sector will benefit emergency medicine by better equipping physician leaders in all areas of their difficult jobs.”

About The Johns Hopkins Hospital

The Johns Hopkins Hospital is organized as a not-for-profit Maryland corporation that operates a 1,017-licensed bed (956 acute beds, 45 neonatal intensive care bassinets and 14 comprehensive inpatient rehabilitation beds) facility on the east side of the city of Baltimore. JHH is a world-renowned academic medical center providing tertiary and quaternary care, which draws patients not only from metropolitan Baltimore and surrounding counties, but also from a five-state radius as well as the rest of the United States and over 100 countries.

About TeamHealth

TeamHealth is the nation's largest provider of hospital-based clinical outsourcing and administrative services. Founded in 1979, TeamHealth is affiliated with approximately 5,600 physicians and other healthcare professionals who provide emergency medicine, hospital medicine, radiology, teleradiology, and pediatric staffing and management services to more than 600 civilian and military hospitals in 45 states. For more information, visit www.teamhealth.com.

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