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PATRICIA ELDER OSTASZEWSKI TO CHAIR AHA'S SECTION FOR LONG-TERM CARE AND REHABILITATION

WASHINGTON—January 9, 2012— Patricia Ostaszewski, chief executive officer (CEO), HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital of Toms River, N.J. is the 2012 chair of the American Hospital Association's (AHA) Section for Long-Term Care and Rehabilitation. As chair, Ostaszewski will lead the section's governing council which advises the AHA on public policy issues of concern to post-acute and continuing care providers. The governing council represents executives from among the nation's leading hospitals representing rehabilitation, acute long-term care, skilled nursing, home health and continuing care services.

Ostaszewski has been CEO of HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital since 1996. The hospital has achieved four Disease Specific Certifications from The Joint Commission and for five consecutive years has been ranked in the Top 10 percent of the Uniform Data System database as a superior performing rehabilitation hospital.

Ostaszewski is a graduate of New Jersey City University and received a Master of Science in health care administration and a Bachelor of Science in nursing. She also is a CRRN[®] (Certified Rehabilitation Registered Nurse) and LNHA (Licensed Nursing Home Administrator). She is actively involved in the AHA's Governing Council for Long Term Care and Rehabilitation, and has also served as an AHA representative to the LTC/PTAC for The Joint Commission. Additionally, she is the Vice-Chair of the New Jersey Hospital Association's HealthPAC Committee and a member of NJHA's Rehabilitation Advisory Council. Ostaszewski is also a

member of HealthSouth's National Nursing Advisory Board and participates in many local community organizations.

In addition, Lynn C. Jones, FACHE, senior vice president, post-acute care services and president, Home Health & Community Services, Christiana Care Health System, New Castle, Del., was named as the chair-elect of the section and will assume the role of chair in 2013.

New members joining the governing council are:

- **Maureen Banks**, chief operating officer, Spaulding Rehab Hospital Boston and the Spaulding Rehabilitation Network, Boston;
- **Deborah Dale**, CEO, Select Specialty Hospital-Denver;
- **Terence Dunn**, executive director, Drake Center & Vice President UC Health, Cincinnati;
- **Lee Frazier**, CEO, St. Vincent Rehabilitation Hospital, Sherwood, Ark.;
- **Antoinette Hardy-Waller**, board member, Catholic Health Initiatives, Englewood, Colo.;
- **Louis Little**, senior vice president, post-acute services and president, WellStar Windy Hill Hospital, WellStar Health System, Marietta, Ga.;
- **Michael T. Phillips**, CEO, Kindred Hospital Los Angeles;
- **Stacy Smith**, chief operating officer, Valir Rehabilitation Hospital, Valir Health, Oklahoma City.

About the Section for Long-Term Care and Rehabilitation

The AHA's Section for Long-Term Care and Rehabilitation represents over 2,000 institutional members of the American Hospital Association, providing a unique blend of forum and network, linking members with shared interests and missions to advise AHA on policy and advocacy, and discussing issues of importance to all providers of post-acute and continuing care services.

About the AHA

The AHA is a non-for-profit membership association of health care provider organizations and individuals committed to the health improvement of their communities. The AHA is the national advocate for its members, which includes nearly 5,000 hospital, health system and other health care organization members, and 42,000 individual members. Founded in 1898, the AHA provides education for health care leaders and is a source of information on health care issues and trends. For more information, visit the AHA web site at www.aha.org.

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