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St. Elizabeth and The Urology Group Enter into Co-Management Agreement

(Edgewood, KY) St. Elizabeth Healthcare, The Urology Group and St. Elizabeth Physicians have entered into a partnership to enhance the level of services provided to patients with urologic conditions in Northern Kentucky.

"This style of co-management agreement allows us to provide a valued service to the health system while growing as independent physicians," said Earl Walz, CEO of The Urology Group. "Strategic relationships and partnerships such as this benefit everyone involved including, most importantly, the patients."

Through this relationship, the physicians of The Urology Group and St. Elizabeth Physicians will be actively involved in the management and provision of urologic services at St. Elizabeth Healthcare.

"St. Elizabeth is proud to partner with these two outstanding groups of physicians to achieve St. Elizabeth's overall vision of making Northern Kentucky one of the healthiest communities in America," said Dr. Robert Prichard, St. Elizabeth Healthcare Chief Clinical Integration Officer. "St. Elizabeth believes that it is essential to engage physicians in operational and quality leadership in order to achieve the triple aim as defined by improving the patient experience through enhanced quality and satisfaction, improving the health of the population we serve, and reducing costs."

The Urology Group

The Urology Group is one of the largest single specialty groups of urologists in the United States, with 38 physicians on staff. The Urology Group provides medical and surgical care for all diseases of the urinary tract in men and women and the genital tract of men. Headquartered in Cincinnati, Ohio, with a 55,000-square foot advanced care facility, the group includes practices extending from Northern Kentucky to Middletown, Ohio, and from Southeastern Indiana to Adams County, Ohio. For more information, visit www.urologygroup.com.

St. Elizabeth Healthcare

St. Elizabeth Healthcare operates six major facilities throughout Northern Kentucky and more than 115 primary care and specialty office locations in Kentucky, Indiana and Ohio. St. Elizabeth is sponsored by the Diocese of Covington and is a member of the Mayo Clinic Care Network. St. Elizabeth is a mission-based organization committed to improving the health of the communities it serves, providing more than \$112 million in uncompensated care and benefit to the community in 2014. For more information, visit www.stelizabeth.com.

About St. Elizabeth Physicians

St. Elizabeth Physicians is the multi-specialty physician organization of St. Elizabeth Healthcare. With 346 physicians, 85 mid-level providers and more than 1,000 non-provider associates, St. Elizabeth Physicians serves more than 279,000 patients in 117 conveniently located sites in Kentucky, Ohio and Indiana. It includes 38 specialties and services. Learn more at www.stedocs.com or call 1-800-737-7900.

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