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SIGNATURE HOSPITAL CORPORATION PROMOTES SMOKLER

Houston, TX – Signature Hospital Corp. has promoted Mary Ann Smokler to Vice President of Medical Staff and Market Development, officials announced today.

In her new role, Smokler will be responsible for physician recruitment and retention, as well as, marketing and communications. Previously, she was Assistant Vice President of Professional Recruiting.

“Smart, experienced people like Mary Ann are invaluable to a growing company like ours,” said Charles R. Miller, president and CEO of Signature.

“Mary Ann brings to the company a solid track record of recruiting doctors to a variety of hospital settings as well as the marketing savvy to help Signature establish itself among the nation’s premier hospital companies.”

Prior to joining Signature, Smokler had extensive experience in healthcare marketing, medical staff relations and physician recruiting at Community Health Systems – where she brought in more than 280 physicians – and Saint Thomas Hospital in Nashville. Smokler has had success in recruiting physicians to smaller markets and rural areas as well as metropolitan and suburban areas.

Smokler holds a bachelor’s degree from Vanderbilt University. She and her family live in Nashville, Tenn.

About Signature

Based in Houston, Texas, Signature Hospital Corp. is a privately held company founded in 2005 that is dedicated to providing affordable, state-of-the-art medical services to communities in which it owns and operates hospitals. Anchored by a strong commitment to patient safety, backed by proprietary technology for measuring and improving quality in its hospitals, Signature presently owns and operates four hospitals: 115-licensed bed Pampa Regional Medical Center in Pampa, Texas; 161-licensed bed Gulf Coast Medical Center in Wharton, Texas; 79-licensed bed Medical Park Hospital in Hope, Ark and 325-licensed bed St. Joseph’s Hospital, in Parkersburg, West Virginia.

Signature’s board and management team boast more than two centuries of combined experience in healthcare management and finance. Signature’s financial partner is Goldman Sachs, the nation’s premier investment banking firm. For more information on Signature, please visit www.signaturehospital.com.

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