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BUTLER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL WELCOMES NEW PARTNERSHIP WITH REGIONAL CARDIAC ARRHYTHMIA

Butler, PA, February 16, 2024... Butler Memorial Hospital, part of Independence Health System, is pleased to announce its partnership with Regional Cardiac Arrhythmia, a group of highly specialized board-certified cardiac electrophysiologists trained in the study and treatment of rhythm disorders of the heart. This partnership aims to broaden the cardiovascular offerings at Butler Memorial by providing access to innovative treatment options that enhance overall cardiac health outcomes.

“As we continue to grow our cardiovascular service line, we are very excited to partner with Regional Cardiac Arrhythmia,” said Richard Begg, MD, FACC, FSCAI, Medical Director of Cardiovascular Services at Butler Memorial. “Our shared commitment to delivering exceptional patient care makes this partnership a natural fit. The experience and expertise this group of fine physicians brings enables us to provide highly specialized, coordinated care close to home.”

Electrophysiology is a subspecialty of cardiology that studies the electrical system of the heart. Common heart rhythm disorders include atrial fibrillation, ventricular tachycardia, and ventricular fibrillation. Regional Cardiac Arrhythmia is dedicated to delivering high-quality, patient-centered

care by utilizing the latest technological advances and treatment options available to patients experiencing heart rhythm disorders. They will collaborate with the BMH Heart Team to facilitate effective care coordination and management. Regional Cardiac Arrhythmia includes Maninder Bedi, MD, Marco Cavagna, MD, Christopher Kolibash, MD, and Glen Miske, DO.

“We understand the impact that cardiac arrhythmia can have on a patient’s quality of life, and we look forward to expanding our services by partnering with Butler Memorial Hospital,” said Dr. Bedi. “Our collaboration with the BMH cardiovascular team will enhance patient outcomes through coordinated care, offering the latest treatment options available for individuals experiencing heart rhythm disorders.”

Regional Cardiac Arrhythmia will provide patient care at 127 Oneida Valley Road, Butler. In addition, Butler Memorial and Clarion Hospital offers electrophysiology services in Clarion and Ellwood City. To make an appointment, call 833-995-0118 or visit www.independence.health/butler to learn more about the robust, award-winning cardiovascular services offered through Independence Health System.

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Nationally recognized for quality care, Independence Health System comprises Butler Memorial, Clarion, Frick, Latrobe and Westmoreland Hospitals with a combined bed count of 925. With more than 1,000 physicians and advanced practice providers and 7,300 employees, the System is now the third largest in western Pennsylvania serving a population base of 750,000 in a footprint spanning more than 10 counties.

The System includes tertiary programs that are rated among America’s best for cardiac care and surgery by Healthgrades in its Top 100 and Top 50 designations, and one of only five in Pennsylvania to achieve a five-star rating in cardiac surgery. In similar fashion, the prestigious Society of Thoracic Surgeons (STS) bestowed its top three-star rating. Historically, less than 10 percent of programs within the STS data base achieve this elite standing. The hospitals of Independence Health System also have earned a host of accolades from such prestigious outlets and sources as US News and World Report, Newsweek Magazine, the American College of Radiology, the American College of Cardiology, the American College of Surgeons, the Joint Commission, Leapfrog and the American Heart/Stroke Association.

Locally owned and locally controlled, Independence Health System offers its patients low-cost, high-quality care across the care spectrum in such specialties as cardiology, cardiovascular and thoracic surgery, orthopedics and sports medicine, minimally invasive and robotic surgery, women’s health and obstetrics, emergency medicine, behavioral health and primary care. Its network of outpatient centers sees more than 1.2 million visits annually. The homecare division further supports patients at all stages of life with home health and hospice services.

Independence Health System continues to change the healthcare landscape in western Pennsylvania by meeting patient needs through superb physician expertise, outstanding nursing, the latest in technology and programmatic depth.