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Good Samaritan Medical Center Starts New Out-Patient Diabetes Program

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla.—Good Samaritan Medical Center is pleased to announce the opening of its new Diabetes Education Program designed to help patients control their diabetes and live longer, healthier lives. The program is taught by experienced certified diabetes educators dedicated to meeting the needs of the diabetic population in North Palm Beach County.

“This new program will help patients with diabetes keep their condition under control and maintain healthy, active lifestyles,” said Good Samaritan CEO, Mark Nosacka.

“Those who participate are expected to experience reduced diabetes complications, which are often associated with their eyes, kidneys, heart and feet.”

The new program is covered by Medicare and most other private insurance companies, and helps participants learn about exercise, complications, medications, blood glucose monitoring, healthy eating and other related topics. Free monthly support groups are offered at the medical center and online education is available at www.DestinationDiabetes.com

According to the American Diabetes Association, there are 23.6 million people in this country living with diabetes and 24 percent of these are undiagnosed individuals. Each day, more than 4,384 people are diagnosed with diabetes and about one out of every five healthcare dollars is spent caring for a patient who has diabetes.

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Diabetes is a chronic disease and has no cure. However, this program provides tools to help those with diabetes manage and control their blood sugar, which can help prevent and/or delay diabetes progression and complications.

For more information on Good Samaritan Medical Center's new diabetes program, please contact Good Samaritan Medical Center 561-650-6441

About Good Samaritan Medical Center

Good Samaritan Medical Center, part of Tenet's Palm Beach Health Network, is a 333-bed acute care hospital located at 1309 North Flagler Drive in West Palm Beach, FL. For more than 85 years, Good Samaritan has provided sophisticated, personalized medical care to Palm Beach County and the Treasure Coast. The hospital provides comprehensive cancer services at the Helen and Harry Gray Cancer Institute in addition to a broad range of medical and surgical care. Other cancer services are provided through the Ruth C. Heede Gamma Knife Center, the Norma E. and Miles M. Zisson Comprehensive Breast Center and the Abraham and Beverly Sommer Bone Marrow/Stem Cell Transplant Unit. The hospital also assists the medical community in caring for patients with known or suspected cardio diseases through the Cardiac and Vascular Institute at Good Samaritan. Certified as a Primary Stroke Center by the Joint Commission, Good Samaritan delivers timely, advanced protocols proven to save the lives and health of stroke patients.

A wide range of outpatient services including outpatient surgery and diagnostic imaging are provided in the Victor W. Farris Medical Building located beside the hospital on the Good Samaritan Medical Center campus. 24-hour emergency service is also provided.

To learn more about Good Samaritan Medical Center, visit www.goodsamaritanmc.com or contact us at 561-655-5511.

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