



River Park announces three new directors -Hospital CEO says staff dedicated to bettering healthcare, community

River Park Hospital is announcing the addition of three new departmental directors to its management team. They are Ann Lyle, medical and surgical nursing, Debra Powers, imaging/radiology, and Claudia Hall, marketing.

As the sole provider of emergency and acute care services in Warren County, River Park is committed to recruiting and retaining forward-thinking, innovative professionals that will make a positive difference in the health of our community and region, according to CEO John McLain.

“When you look at the big picture, a strong healthcare delivery system is essential to community growth and development,” said McLain. “River Park Hospital is a major employer in Warren County, and has a long-standing reputation for taking an active role in community leadership and philanthropy. We recruit individuals who will make a commitment to the betterment of our hospital and our community. These leaders bring unique talents that I believe will assist us in meeting our long-term goals of becoming the regional provider of choice for residents of Warren County and the surrounding areas.”

Lyle, a registered nurse, recently accepted the medical-surgical nursing director position. The medical-surgical department is responsible for managing the care of hospitalized patients with multiple medical and surgical diagnoses across all medical specialties.

Lyle originally joined River Park as house supervisor in 2004. In this role, she demonstrated strong leadership and communication skills. In addition to her proven leadership abilities, she has a passion for improving patient outcomes and overall patient satisfaction at River Park.

Lyle is a graduate of the nursing program at Motlow Community College. She grew up in McMinnville and is an active member of the community through her involvement with the Warren County Cheer Boosters program.

Powers has over 16 years of radiological imaging experience. She most recently served as director of radiology for the Medical Group in Memphis. Prior to this assignment, she held various positions as a director, supervisor, and instructor within her respective field and received her professional training while serving in the U.S. Air Force.

The imaging/radiology department at River Park offers full radiology services which include CT, MRI, ultrasound, diagnostic X-ray, mammography, bone densitometry, echocardiogram, nuclear medicine and stereostatic breast biopsy.

In first quarter of 2007, River Park installed PACS (Picture Archival and Communication System) which enables images such as X-rays and CT scans to be stored electronically and viewed by computer. This digital technology allows physicians and other health care professionals to access images and reports at the touch of a button.

Hall joined the facility as director of marketing in mid-October. She has an extensive background in healthcare marketing, most recently serving in the same position at Medical Center Barbour in Eufaula, Ala. As director of marketing, she will manage the marketing program to include community and media relations, volunteer services and the Just Friends senior program.

Hall holds a bachelor of arts with a minor in marketing from the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa. She has held leadership roles within the Eufaula Barbour County Chamber of Commerce, the Barbour County Relay for Life, and the United Way.

“I am pleased and excited to join the management team at River Park Hospital,” Hall said. “I was attracted to the opportunity here in McMinnville because of the level of commitment I saw from the new senior management team. John McLain is a dynamic leader and I share his enthusiasm for community development.”

River Park Hospital is a 125-bed full-service hospital which provides a comprehensive range of medical services and high-quality care. River Park is Joint Commission accredited, which demonstrates a commitment to meet the highest national standards for quality and safety.