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Leadership Health Care Announces 2015-2016 Board of Directors

NASHVILLE – Leadership Health Care (LHC) announces the appointment of its 2015-2016 board of directors effective as of July 1, 2015. **Benson Sloan**, director, corporate development, MedHost, has been named board chairman and **Will Howorth**, director, development – special assets, HCA, will serve as board vice chairman.

LHC is an initiative of the Nashville Health Care Council that nurtures the talent and potential of Nashville's next generation of health care industry leaders by creating educational, networking and mentoring opportunities for the group's nearly 1,000 members.

The following new directors joined the LHC Board for three-year terms: **Jesse Bland**, principal, Heritage Group; **Caroline Chamberlain**, marketing manager, Entrada; **Sam Hutcherson**, vice president, strategic growth and development, LifePoint Health; **Jordan Kendig**, director, office of innovation, Premise Health; **Dan Kuninsky**, associate, Bass, Berry & Sims; **Kristi Morrow**, senior vice president, integrated revenue management, LifePoint Health; **Wes Pass**, assistant vice president, Bank of America; **Matt Smith**, director, BKD; and **Holley West**, executive vice president, communications and operations, Applied Health Analytics.

Ryan Keith, health care MBA candidate, Vanderbilt University Owen Graduate School of Management, joins the board in a one-year student seat. **Kelvin Ault**, partner, U.S. investor-owned health services tax leader, PwC, and former board chairman, will also serve on the board for a renewed, one-year term.

There are also two new appointments of LHC committee chairmen. **Claire Cowart Haltom**, attorney, Baker Donelson, will lead the Education and Events Committee, and **Wes Hartig**, associate, Martin Ventures, will chair the Membership and Marketing Committee.

"I am pleased to welcome the newest directors of the Leadership Health Care Board of Directors. These individuals join an exceptional group of young professionals representing Nashville's next generation of health care leaders. LHC is growing at a dynamic rate and the board will continue to be instrumental in producing superior programming and educational opportunities," said Council Director of Talent Development and LHC Director **Jenni Bradley**.

About Leadership Health Care

An initiative of the Nashville Health Care Council to nurture the talents of future leaders, LHC provides members with unique educational programs and networking opportunities. With more than 900 members representing 350 companies, LHC is the foremost organization for emerging leaders in the field.

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2015-2016 Board of Directors

Benson Sloan, Director, Corporate Development – MedHost (*Chairman*)

Will Howorth, Director, Development | Special Assets – HCA (*Vice-Chairman*)

Directors

Dave Anderson, Financial Analyst – AmSurg

Kelvin Ault, Partner – U.S. Investor-Owned Health Services Tax Leader – PwC

Jesse Bland, Principal – Heritage Group

Michael Bonner, Director, Financial and Tax Reporting – Cumberland Pharmaceuticals

Carrie Bryant, Compliance Officer – American HomePatient

Frazer Buntin, Market Director – Evolent Health

Caroline Chamberlain, Marketing Manager – Entrada

Avery Fisher, Director – TriZetto Corporation

Landon Gibbs, Director, Health Care Initiatives – Clayton Associates

Darin Gordon, Deputy Commissioner, Health Care Finance and Administration,
and Director, TennCare, State of Tennessee

Claire Cowart Haltom, Attorney – Baker Donelson

Wes Hartig, Associate – Martin Ventures

Sam Hutcheson, Vice President, Strategic Growth and Development – LifePoint Health

Will Joseph, Field Medical Director – Pfizer

Jordan Kendig, Director, Office of Innovation – Premise Health

Ryan Keith, Health Care MBA Candidate – Owen Graduate School of Management

Dan Kuninsky, Associate – Bass, Berry & Sims

Baxter Lee, CFO – Entrada

Ted Lomicka, Vice President and Assistant Treasurer – Community Health Systems

Scott Mertie, President – Kraft Healthcare Consulting

Kristi Morrow, Senior Vice President, Integrated Revenue Management – LifePoint Health

Wes Pass, Assistant Vice President – Bank of America

Clay Phillips, Vice President, Network Innovation – BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee

Matt Smith, Director – BKD

Jessica Wells, Vice President, Medical Education – Saint Thomas Health

Holley West, Executive Vice President, Communications and Operations – Applied Health Analytics

Beth Workman, Senior Vice President and CFO – DSI Renal

Ex Officio

Hayley Hovious, President – Nashville Health Care Council

Past Chairs

Hal Andrews, CEO – Shareable Ink

Kelvin Ault, Partner – U.S. Investor-Owned Health Services Tax Leader – PwC

Bo Bartholomew, CEO and Co-Founder – PharmMD

Michael Drescher, Director of Network Communications – BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee

Neil Heatherly, CEO – Tennova

Chris Howard, General Counsel – Acadia Healthcare

Ted Lomicka, Vice President and Assistant Treasurer – Community Health Systems

Teresa Sparks, CFO – Surgery Partners

Melissa Waddey, Chief of Staff – LifePoint Health

Mark Wainner, Vice President, Financial Operations and Revenue Management – AmSurg

Paul Wallace, Managing Director – Heritage Group