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PARKRIDGE EAST HOSPITAL PROMOTES LYNN WHELAN, DNP, RN, NEA-BC, TO CHIEF NURSING OFFICER ROLE

Chattanooga, TN (January 28, 2019) – [Parkridge East Hospital](#) is proud to announce the promotion of Lynn Whelan, DNP, RN, NEA-BC, to the facility's chief nursing officer role. Whelan had previously served as assistant chief nursing officer at Parkridge East.

"Lynn Whelan has shown exceptional leadership since joining the Parkridge East family in 2017," said Jarrett Millsaps, CEO of Parkridge East Hospital. "During her tenure, she has leveraged her clinical background and vision for the practice of nursing to make an indelible impact on the operations and performance at our hospital."

Whelan has led successful initiatives at Parkridge East that have resulted in the reduction of employee turnover, an enhanced patient experience and helped to improve the facility's quality metrics scores, reaching a top 20 ranking amongst all HCA's 178 hospitals. Parkridge East Hospital is a part of HCA, one of the nation's leading providers of healthcare services with hospitals located in 22 states throughout the U.S. and in the U.K.

In her new role, Whelan will continue working with Deborah Deal, Chief Nursing Executive for Parkridge Health System, to promote clinical and administrative agendas at Parkridge East and throughout the Parkridge family of healthcare facilities.

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About Parkridge Health System

Parkridge Health System includes Parkridge Medical Center, Parkridge East Hospital, Parkridge West Hospital, Parkridge Valley Adult & Senior and Parkridge Valley Child & Adolescent campuses. Parkridge Medical Center, in downtown Chattanooga, is an Accredited Chest Pain Center offering comprehensive healthcare services that include a 24-hour emergency department, cardiology, orthopedics, and surgical services in addition to oncology services at Sarah Cannon Cancer Institute. Parkridge East Hospital, also an Accredited Chest Pain Center in East Ridge, provides 24-hour emergency medical services, obstetrical care, a Level III Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, and advanced surgical services in robotics, orthopedics, and gynecology. The four-campus Parkridge Valley offers behavioral health and addictive disorder treatment services for children, adolescents and adults. Parkridge West Hospital, in nearby Jasper, Tenn., provides 24-hour emergency medical services, outpatient laboratory, outpatient imaging, outpatient physical therapy and inpatient behavioral health services at Parkridge Valley West. To learn more, visit www.ParkridgeHealth.com or contact MedLine at (423) 622-6848.