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EXCELA HEALTH NAMES CAROL FOX CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER

GREENSBURG, PA, December 24, 2012... Solid, respected leadership that unites physicians and clinicians around a common goal of exemplary patient care is an apt description for a chief medical officer. Dr. Carol Fox, who embodies this ideal, has accepted the permanent appointment as Excelsa Health's Chief Medical Officer effective immediately.

Dr. Fox is no stranger to this role or to the Excelsa Health family. A graduate of the Latrobe Hospital Family Medicine Residency Program through Thomas Jefferson University, and a practicing primary care physician within the system since 1990, she has twice stepped into executive medical command on an interim basis.

"Regardless of what she is called upon to do, Carol displays a passion for quality and continuous improvement, an affinity for aligning providers to achieve a common goal and perhaps more importantly, she values open communication and engagement among all members of the care team to arrive at the optimal outcome for the patient," noted Excelsa Health Chief Executive Officer Robert J. Rogalski, in making the announcement.

Instrumental in the creation of the hospital and system-wide physician advisory councils Dr. Fox understands the necessity of strong collaboration between administrators and care providers for the purpose of decision-making and evaluation of business, financial and purchasing decisions. Strategic and tactical thinker, wife, mother, family medicine physician, mentor are just a few of

the roles she fills with each contributing to her unique perspective on what is important to the giving and receiving of care, and the yardstick against which she measures Excelsa Health's success in achieving its mission.

A graduate of the Pennsylvania State University, Dr. Fox is a 2010 Athena Award recipient. A Unity Township resident, she is board certified in family medicine.