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**LSU Appoints Pack-Hookfin Hospital Administrator of  
Lallie Kemp Regional Medical Center**

**Baton Rouge (May 14, 2008)** – The LSU Health Care Services Division (HCSD) has appointed Sherre Pack-Hookfin, BA, MA, chief executive officer of Lallie Kemp Regional Medical Center (LKRMC), a 25 bed critical access hospital, with numerous outpatient clinics, in Independence, Louisiana.

Pack-Hookfin's career includes 28 years in health care with 23 years in senior hospital management. She has been serving as acting chief executive officer for LKRMC since July 2007.

“Sherre Pack-Hookfin brings a wealth of health care management experience to the position of hospital administrator, and her deep roots in the Northshore community make her an invaluable asset to Lallie Kemp Regional Medical Center,” said Dr. Michael Butler, acting CEO of the LSU HCSD.

A resident of Tickfaw, Pack-Hookfin was born and raised in Varnado.

Prior to serving as acting CEO, Pack-Hookfin at various times was LKRMC hospital associate administrator, acute care hospital associate administrator, human resources director and EEO coordinator, director of materials and plant management, and EEO coordinator/assistant ancillary director.

She began her career at LKRMC as a typist clerk in the Human Resources Department in August 1979, shortly after receiving her bachelor's degree from Southeastern University, and then worked as a data entry operator before moving into management. Her steady ascent through the ranks exemplifies her dedication and determination to provide superior health care services at LKRMC.

She received from Southeastern Louisiana University both a bachelor of arts degree in business administration and a master's degree in health.

A photograph of Pack-Hookfin is available at the following web address:

<http://www.lsuhs hospitals.org/images/pack-hookfin.jpg> [2.9MB JPG File]

The LSU Health System is one of the largest public health care delivery systems in the country. It has over 60,000 admissions, 350,000 patient days, 1 million outpatient visits, and over 350,000 emergency department visits. Each year 1700 residents from the LSU and Tulane Schools of Medicine and Ochsner Health System and 4,000 nurses and allied health students from many colleges and universities are trained in LSU facilities.

LSU is the largest single provider of uncompensated inpatient care in Louisiana. LSU hospitals have an economic impact of over \$1.6 billion in asset business activity, \$918 million in personal earnings, and support over 10,000 jobs.

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