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Leonard J. Chabert Medical Center Receives Healthcare Achievement Award

Baton Rouge (April 8, 2009)—Amerinet, a leading health care group purchasing organization, presented to Leonard J. Chabert Medical Center (LJCMC) in Houma, La., the first-ever Amerinet Healthcare Achievement Award. The award is in recognition of Amerinet member excellence, honoring those institutions that truly excel in reducing health care costs and improving health care quality.

“Leonard J. Chabert Medical Center is a good example of LSU providing the best value for the health care dollar, and Amerinet recognizes that value,” Rhonda Green, LJCMC hospital administrator, said. “No other institution can provide the quality that LSU provides with the amount of health care funding that LSU receives.”

LJCMC is part of the LSU Health Care Services Division.

Amerinet recognized member performance in areas including financial and operational improvements, quality/patient care delivery, supply chain/data management, and community impact.

“We congratulate the winners of the Amerinet Healthcare Achievement Awards, recognizing the dedication and commitment of our membership to reach their missions by creating and successfully implementing efficiencies in operations and in enhancing patient care delivery,” said Todd Ebert, Amerinet president and CEO.

The awards were open to both acute care and alternate care sites. Facility categories included acute care facilities under 300 beds, acute care facilities over 300 beds, integrated delivery network and critical access hospitals. In the alternate care sector, categories included surgery centers, long term care facilities, physician offices and clinics.

A total of 21 winners, 12 acute care and nine alternate care sites were recognized. Winners will be honored at the 2009 Amerinet Member Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada, on May 5, 2009.

As a leading national group purchasing organization, Amerinet partners with health care providers to reduce costs, improve quality, and create new revenue streams.

The LSU Health System - Health Care Services Division is one of the largest public health care delivery systems in the country. It has over 35,000 inpatient admissions, nearly 196,000 inpatient days, 515,500 outpatient clinic visits, 894,000 outpatient encounters, and nearly 244,000 emergency department visits. Each year nearly 500 residents and fellows from the LSU and Tulane Schools of Medicine and Ochsner Health System and 2,200 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 HCSD hospitals have an economic impact of over \$1.4 billion in asset business activity, \$568 million in personal earnings, and generate over 12,000 jobs.

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