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NORTHSIDE MEDICAL CENTER NAMES CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio – July 15, 2014 – Northside Medical Center has appointed Trent Crable as Chief Executive Officer, effective August 4. Crable has 25 years of diverse healthcare management experience managing complex operations at academic and community hospitals.

"For more than 100 years, Northside Medical Center has cared for the Youngstown community, and I'm honored to join the team of physicians, employees and volunteers that work so hard to continue that mission. Northside remains a valuable resource for this area, now more than ever with the new resources available to patients," Crable said, referencing the recently completed expansion of the hospital's emergency department and three-story tower.

Most recently, Crable served as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of the Brooklyn Hospital Center, a 426-bed teaching hospital in Brooklyn, New York. There, he led efforts that resulted in the improvement of employee and physician satisfaction, quality and safety measures, and patient experience and HCAHPS scores. Crable expanded the hospital's ability to serve more patients by adding ambulatory surgery, improved emergency department flow for efficiency and patient satisfaction, and implemented changes in surgical processes that lowered infections below the national expected rate and facilitated recruitment of 12 new surgeons.

"Trent has an established commitment to enhancing quality measures and the patient experience as well as a solid track record for making hospitals places where physicians and employees enjoy coming to work," said Sandy Kessler, Chairman, Northside Medical Center Board of Trustees. "On behalf of the board, I look forward to working with him to continue our commitment to providing patients with quality care."

Previously, Crable was CEO of George Washington University Hospital and Associate Executive Director at the University of Alabama Birmingham Hospital. He received a bachelor's degree in Business Administration from West Chester University in West Chester, Pennsylvania, and an MBA from Virginia Commonwealth University, where he later served as Vice President of Professional Services of VCU's Health System.

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About ValleyCare Health System: As one of the Mahoning Valley's largest

employers, ValleyCare Health System of Ohio is a network of healthcare facilities committed to providing quality, innovative and compassionate care. Northside Medical Center in Youngstown and Trumbull Memorial Hospital in Warren are full service hospitals offering a broad spectrum of inpatient, surgical, diagnostic and outpatient services. Hillside Rehabilitation Hospital is ValleyCare's distinguished acute rehabilitation hospital located in Warren that provides multifaceted inpatient and outpatient rehabilitation services. ValleyCare Health System of Ohio also operates several affiliated outpatient facilities throughout the Mahoning Valley including surgical services, urgent care, diagnostic, lab and occupational health. Together, ValleyCare provides care for hundreds of thousands of patients every year. To learn more visit <u>www.ValleyCareofOhio.net</u>