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Southeast Georgia Health System Appoints Locke as New Chief Growth and Strategy Officer

BRUNSWICK, Georgia: October 27, 2022 – Southeast Georgia Health System has announced Chris Locke as its new Chief Growth and Strategy Officer, effective November 2, 2022.



"Chris has extensive executive experience in the health care industry, primarily working in the areas of strategy, growth and business development," says Scott Raynes, MBA, M.A. "In his role at Southeast Georgia Health System, Chris will be responsible for growing our service lines and enhancing our points of access to care throughout the region. Additionally, he will aid in establishing partnerships and relationships with the various employers, constituents and other health care service providers throughout the communities we serve."

Before joining the Health System, Locke was the Director of Business Development Central Division of the United States for Acadia Healthcare Corporate in Nashville, Tennessee. Prior to that, he served as the Vice President of Business Development and Executive Director of Physician Services for NorthCrest Health Inc. in Springfield, Tennessee, and was the Chief Operating Officer of Physician Partners Group located in Nashville, Tennessee.

Locke earned his bachelor's degree in Healthcare Organization Leadership from Bethel University, McKenzie, Tennessee, and a master's certificate in Six Sigma Healthcare from Villanova University, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

ABOUT SOUTHEAST GEORGIA HEALTH SYSTEM

Southeast Georgia Health System is a not-for-profit health system comprised of two acute care hospitals, two long term care facilities, two comprehensive Cancer Care Centers and multiple specialty care centers, including orthopaedic and spine care, joint replacement, breast care, maternity, outpatient rehabilitation, sleep management and wound care. The Brunswick Campus Cancer Care Center is accredited by the American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer and is one of the few centers in Georgia to offer CyberKnife® M6 with MLC. Additionally, the Brunswick Campus is accredited by The Joint Commission as an Advanced Primary Stroke Center and the Camden Campus is accredited as an Acute Stroke Ready Hospital. The Southeast Georgia Physician Associates medical group includes more than 160 providers working in 20 different medical specialties at more than 50 locations. The Health System is part of Coastal Community Health, a regional affiliation between Baptist Health and Southeast Georgia Health System, a highly integrated hospital network focused on significant initiatives designed to enhance the quality and value of care provided to our contiguous communities. For more information, visit <u>sghs.org</u>.