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Akron Children's names chief information officer

AKRON, Ohio (July 23, 2010) – Tom Ogg has been named chief information officer at Akron Children's Hospital, effective July 19.

Ogg comes to Akron Children's from Oakwood Healthcare Systems in Dearborn, Mich., where he has served as corporate director/chief technology officer since 2007. The Oakwood Healthcare Systems includes four acute teaching hospitals and 40 primary care/specialty care sites.

Prior to that, he held management positions with Memorial Healthcare in Owosso, Mich., and the Sparrow Health System in Lansing.

In his new position, he will oversee information technology for the Akron Children's system, which cares for more than 500,000 children and adults each year in more than 80 locations. These include two free-standing pediatric hospitals in Akron and Boardman and 17 primary care offices throughout northeast Ohio.

"For 20 years, Tom Ogg has successfully managed the IT programs and implementations of several large hospital systems in Michigan, and Akron Children's will benefit from his expertise, especially as we continue to transition to electronic medical records," says Grace Wakulchik, chief operating officer for Akron Children's. "We look forward to his leadership."

About Akron Children's Hospital

As the largest pediatric health care provider in northeast Ohio, the Akron Children's Hospital system cares for more than 500,000 children and adults each year. With more than 80 locations throughout the region, including a 253-bed campus in downtown Akron as well as a 32-bed campus in Boardman, Akron Children's offers a full range of services, from well-child visits at our pediatrics offices to trauma and intensive care to treatment of rare and serious childhood disorders. Akron Children's Hospital has earned the Gold Seal of Approval from the Joint Commission and Magnet Recognition Status from the American Nurses Credentialing Center. To learn more, visit www.akronchildrens.org.