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GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL ONE OF INDIANA'S
BEST PLACES TO WORK

VINCENNES, Ind. – Good Samaritan Hospital is one of the “Best Places to Work in Indiana.” This was first evident in December of 2008 when the hospital was recognized as a Magnet facility, and now the Indiana Chamber of Commerce is honoring Good Samaritan Hospital with its “Best Place to Work in Indiana” award.

The “Best Place to Work in Indiana” program, in its fourth year, is managed by the Indiana Chamber of Commerce and presented in partnership with Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield. The program recognizes companies, small and large, for their ability to create a strong workplace environment where employees feel valued.

The top companies in the state are determined through employer reports and comprehensive employee surveys. This is Good Samaritan Hospital's first time being honored in the group of 70 making the list this year. The actual rankings of the Top Hoosier companies will not be announced until the Best Places to Work awards dinner on May 5, 2009.

Director of Human Resources, Dean Wagoner, attributes this award to the efforts of Good Samaritan Hospital employees in achieving the hospital's mission. “We strive to provide an employee focused culture that encourages and allows employees to excel,” Wagoner stated. “Our employees understand that teamwork leads to our success in providing excellent care to the patients we are privileged to serve.”

State-of-the-art technology and immaculately maintained buildings provide the best possible environment for employees to achieve positive outcomes, but Wagoner says it's the continuous compassionate care and concern demonstrated by employees and medical staff that have allowed Good Samaritan Hospital to achieve this recognition and celebrate

101 years as a community hospital. “We are extremely proud of and grateful for their efforts,” he added.

Indiana Chamber President Kevin Brinegar says businesses like Good Samaritan Hospital represent some of the state’s most outstanding Hoosier employers. “They embrace the idea that a positive work culture that includes respect, communication, opportunity and being part of a team not only makes it a place in which employees want to work but also fuels the success of the organization,” Brinegar stated.

Darrel Bobe, Chairman of the Knox County Chamber of Commerce Board, says he is especially proud of the award for Good Samaritan Hospital. “This is an outstanding honor, especially in this tough economic time, for a local business to be given this award,” Bobe stated. “We are very fortunate to have an outstanding hospital here in Vincennes that continues to grow and make Vincennes a better place to live.”

The Best Places to Work in Indiana awards dinner on May 5 is open to the public. Individual tickets and tables are available at www.indianachamber.com.