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Weatherford Regional Medical Center: Your Community Partner
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WEATHERFORD, TX (April 12, 2011) --- This past year at Weatherford Regional Medical Center has been a dynamic time of growth and change. We continue to build on the tradition of caring for the health care needs of the Parker county community, working hard every day to provide care that not only meets, but exceeds patients' expectations from their hospital experience.

We are committed to making Weatherford Regional Medical Center your hospital of choice. While we strive to offer medical innovations, we know that what patients remember is not technology, but the personal touch of our staff.

As part of our goal to exceed patients' expectations of care, we continue to focus on initiatives like hourly rounding – where we check on every patient, every hour, to make sure their needs are taken care of. Additionally, we call patients after they leave the Emergency Department to make sure they understood discharge instructions and to see if they have comments that will help us improve the care we provide.

We are growing to serve the community. Our mission of compassionate care and improving the well-being of the people who live and work in the area dictates our approach to patient care as well as investments to expand hospital services and technology, new initiatives in patient care and community outreach. Planned growth is carefully matched to reflect the needs of our community: today, and in the future. Last year, Weatherford Regional Medical Center added the area's only wound care and hyperbaric center, opened three new primary care practices and recruited five physicians.

In addition to our role as a provider of health care, Weatherford Regional Medical Center serves as a community resource for health education. We offer a wealth of health education resources for the community and clinical professionals. Our Senior Circle chapter and Healthy Woman program support healthy and active lifestyles and good health care decision-making. You can learn more about education seminars, health fairs and free clinics we provide – as well as research hundreds of health topics - by visiting the Health Resources link on our website, www.weatherfordregional.com.

Whether it's through our hospital services, health fairs and education seminars, or our community support activities, every year, we care for thousands of people from our community. We are proud to say that we also take good care of the community itself. We are the third largest employer in Parker County, with 450 employees. The employees and medical staff of Weatherford Regional Medical Center are some of the

community's most active volunteers and leaders. Both our patients and ultimately, the entire community benefit from Weatherford Regional Medical Center's presence and involvement in the community.

We provide millions of dollars in uncompensated care and charity care each year, make donations, and build partnerships with community organizations with similar missions. Each program we support is chosen for its ability to make a real difference in the lives of real people. We give back to our community because we know that advanced medical care, charitable outreach, education and wellness programs make a measurable impact on the quality of life of the people who live and work in the area.

I'd like to share some of our significant accomplishments in 2010, many of which would not be possible without the hard work and dedication of our staff and physicians.

Quality care	
• ER patient visits	24,768
• Inpatient admissions	4,863
• Outpatient visits	51,751
Financial benefits	
• Capital investment	\$2,817,214
• Payroll (450 employees)	\$23,153,139
• Property and sales taxes	\$1,665,943
Caring for our community	
• Charity and uncompensated care provided	\$26,873,294
• Charitable contributions	\$21,971
• Spending at local businesses	\$2, 524,435
ESTIMATED TOTAL COMMUNITY BENEFIT	\$57,055,996
New services and technology	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The addition of the area's only wound care and hyperbaric center • Opened Brock Primary Care to serve West Parker County • Opened Lone Star Family Care to serve East Parker County • Opened Lone Star Express Care, an extended hours clinic 	
New physicians recruited	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roberto Cardarelli, D.O., Board Certified in Family Medicine • Kelly D. Grimes, D.O., Wound Care and Hyperbaric Medicine • Sheri Hull, D.O., Board Certified in Neurology • Olga Jones, M.D., Board Certified in Family Medicine • Olusegun A. Oseni, M.D., Board Certified in Internal Medicine, Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine 	
<i>*dollar amount is approximate.</i>	

If you've ever been to our hospital, you know that we take patient care personally. And now you know just how personally invested we are in making this community a better

place to live and work. Rest assured that Weatherford Regional Medical Center will continue to enhance its services to meet the needs of our thriving community. On behalf of our medical staff, we appreciate your support and thank you for trusting us with the health care needs of you and your family.

To learn more about us, visit www.weatherfordregional.com or call us today for a personal tour.

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