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Christiana Care Nurse Named Editor-in-Chief of Nursing 2009

Linda Laskowski Jones, MS, RN, vice president of Emergency, Trauma & Aeromedical Services at Christiana Care, has been named editor-in-chief of Nursing 2009 magazine.

The award winning, peer-reviewed journal aims to improve nursing practice by providing evidence-based practical information. Lippincott Williams & Wilkins, part of Wolters Kluwer Health, publishes the magazine, which has more than 200,000 worldwide subscribers.

“This is an unsurpassed opportunity to lead the largest nursing journal in the world and to positively impact nursing practice in this very challenging, demanding era in our health care history,” says Jones.

According to Theresa Steltzer, executive publisher of Nursing 2009, “With more than 25 years of clinical, education and leadership expertise, Linda brings a wealth of clinical and professional knowledge to the journal. We’re honored to have her lead our editorial team.”

Among her many duties as editor-in-chief, Jones will write a monthly column.

Jones is an accomplished teacher, writer and speaker on the topics of emergency departments and the trauma system. She is dedicated to promoting excellence in the dynamic art and science of nursing practice and enabling nurses to thrive professionally. She is a site reviewer for the American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma.

As a 20-year volunteer Ski Patrol member at Pennsylvania’s Blue Mountain Ski area, she received the “Purple Merit Star,” the highest meritorious service award for saving a human life, and recognition by the National Ski Patrol for excellence in emergency care. She is pursuing a Fellowship in Wilderness Medicine through the Wilderness Medical Society.

Previously, Laskowski-Jones served on the editorial board of the Journal of Emergency Nursing. She is the 2007 international award recipient of the Marie Hippensteel Lingeman Award for Excellence in Nursing Practice through Sigma Theta Tau.

About Christiana Care Health System

Christiana Care Health System is one of the region's largest health care providers, serving Delaware and neighboring areas in Maryland, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. A not-for-profit teaching hospital, Christiana Care is recognized as a regional center for excellence in cardiology, cancer and women's health services, as well as for its Level-I trauma care and Level-3 neonatal intensive care (both highest capability).

Christiana Hospital is the only Level I trauma center between Philadelphia and Baltimore. Christiana Care includes two hospitals with 1,100 patient beds, a home health care service, preventive medicine, rehabilitation services, a network of primary care physicians and an extensive range of outpatient services.

With more than 10,000 employees, Christiana Care is the largest private employer in Delaware and the 10th largest employer in the Philadelphia region. In 2008 Christiana Care had more than \$1.7 billion in total patient revenue and provided the community with \$37.7 million of free care and medicine. Find more information at www.christianacare.org