



Harris County Hospital District

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MEDIA RELEASE

Cloyd Promoted to VP and Chief Nurse Executive for HCHD

HOUSTON (July 18, 2007) – Elizabeth Ann Cloyd has been promoted to executive vice president of clinical operations and chief nurse executive for the Harris County Hospital District. She has more than 24 years of nursing and medical experience.

Cloyd recently held the position of executive vice president of medical support services for the hospital district where she has worked closely with HCHD's medical partners – Baylor College of Medicine and the University of Texas Medical School at Houston. She has been with HCHD since 2004. On an interim basis, she also assumed the duties of interim chief nurse officer for Ben Taub General Hospital, a Level I trauma center and one of the busiest emergency centers in the country.

“Her commitment to the nursing profession and the pursuit of clinical quality is a tremendous asset to our organization and has been demonstrated throughout her career and during her tenure here at the hospital district,” said David S. Lopez, president and CEO of the Harris County Hospital District.

One of her goals in the new position is to lead the clinical staff's journey to achieve Nurse Magnet status to ensure HCHD's place as one of America's best public health systems.

Cloyd worked at the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston for 18 years where, among a number of positions, she directed the operations of 300 medical and surgical beds and a \$20 million budget. She also oversaw a \$126 million annual budget process for several departments including nursing, pharmacy, social works and rehabilitation. Her latter years were spent creating and managing UTMB's HMO start-up plan for elderly and disabled Medicaid recipients.

She is a registered nurse and has a master's degree in business administration from the University of Houston at Clear Lake. Among her professional affiliations are memberships to the American Public Health Association, the Texas Organization of Nurse Executives and the Texas Nurses Association.

The Harris County Hospital District is the public health care system for the nation's third most populous county. It employs more than 6,700 employees, including 1,800 nursing professionals, that provide more than 1 million health care visits each year to uninsured, underinsured and medically needy residents of Harris County. It operates three major hospitals, 12 community health centers, 13 homeless shelter clinics, eight school-based clinics, a dental center and four mobile health units.

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