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### **VHH Welcomes New Director of Information Systems**

(GLENDALE, CA – July 21, 2008) – Jim Sevilla recently joined Verdugo Hills Hospital (VHH) as Director of Information Systems. Sevilla brings more than 30 years of Information Technology (IT) experience, including over 12 years of IT management and implementation in healthcare environments.

Sevilla has also several years of senior IT executive management experience, with extensive experience in leadership and implementation of strategic business planning efforts for technology and business process solutions. He also has a background in facilities management and clinical systems management.

In his new role at VHH, Sevilla will oversee the Information Systems Department and the Hospital's Communications System. He said he also looks forward to implementing the new Electronic Medical Record system at VHH and developing an IT strategic plan for the organization.

Prior to joining VHH, Sevilla served as Executive IT Director for Affiliated Computer Services (ACS) Government Solutions in Lakewood, California. He has also served as Assistant Executive IT Director and Director of Data Center Operations for MemorialCare, a six-hospital organization (he was based at Long Beach Memorial), where he implemented several clinical systems – such as the General Electric radiology system and the Cerner radiology and pathology systems.

“My passion is Information Systems,” Sevilla said. “I am very pleased to be back in a healthcare organization and working at prestigious Verdugo Hills Hospital.”

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A native of Los Angeles, Sevilla holds an Associate of Arts degree from Los Angeles Pierce College and has a Certificate of Completion from Control Data Institute in Programming Technology and Operations.

Sevilla is a member of Health Information Management Systems Society (HIMSS).

**About the Hospital:**

Verdugo Hills Hospital is a 158-bed nonprofit primary care facility nestled in the foothills between Glendale and La Cañada Flintridge. The hospital features all private rooms, 24-hour emergency services, comprehensive inpatient and outpatient diagnostic and treatment facilities, and a family birthing center. It is the only independent, free-standing hospital in the greater Foothills community and was voted “Foothills’ Best Hospital” for 2008 by readers of the *Glendale News-Press* for the fifth consecutive year. Several VHH medical staff members have also earned the title of “Foothills’ Best”: Drs. Eric Lee and Joseph Lee, Foothills’ Best Cardiologists; Dr. Jane Wada, Foothills’ Best Dermatologist; Laurie Flagg, Foothills’ Best Nurse; Dr. Ronald Woodard, Foothills’ Best Obstetrician/Gynecologist; Dr. Scott Beeve, Foothills’ Best Ophthalmologist; Dr. Allan W. Perry (Jr. & Sr.), Foothills’ Best Plastic Surgeons; Dr. Brad Aguirre, Foothills’ Best Podiatrist; and Dr. William F. Schubert, Foothills’ Best Family Physician.

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