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Campus Community,

I am very pleased to announce that Dr. Mark F. Newman has accepted my offer to join the University of Kentucky as our next Executive Vice President for Health Affairs (EVPHA). Dr. Newman will officially join us Oct. 1.

Dr. Newman is currently president of Private Diagnostic Clinic, the physician practice plan for the Duke University Medical Center. It is one of the largest, and certainly most renowned, practice plans in the country.

Dr. Newman knows us well. He has practiced and served in far-flung places, but Kentucky is his home. He is a native of Owensboro, grew up on a family farm, and was educated and trained at Western Kentucky University and the University of Louisville. He is a veteran of the Air Force, where he completed his residency and was deployed during Operations "Just Cause," "Desert Shield" and "Desert Storm." Since 1992, he has worked at Duke University in a variety of increasingly senior positions, including professor of medicine and chair of anesthesiology. You can read more about Dr. Newman, his accomplishments and career on the EVPHA search website.

I am deeply grateful for the work of the EVPHA search committee – co-chaired by Dr. Wendy Hansen and Dr. Eric N. Monday. Our colleagues on the committee worked thoughtfully, collaboratively, and effectively over the last several months to make today's announcement possible. The committee members also are listed on the website. I know you join me in thanking them for their service on behalf of our university and health care enterprise.

We also take this moment to express our heart-felt appreciation to Dr. Michael Karpf for his nearly 15 years of leadership. With dogged determination and far-reaching vision, he has guided UK HealthCare in a period of unparalleled growth and progress. We serve more Kentuckians and provide more advanced care to those in need than at any time in our history. And Dr. Karpf has laid a strong foundation for continued excellence in the years ahead.

Today's announcement reflects the work of so many people, over so many years, to build a health care enterprise that serves our Commonwealth. As Dr. Karpf often said, we want to ensure that no Kentuckian has to wake up in the morning, concerned that they can't receive the best of care close to home.

What we do at UK HealthCare underscores our commitment – and our place – as the University for Kentucky. You are part of that. You make it happen.

Thank you for your continued to commitment to that mission.

Eli Capilouto President

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