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LCMC Health Announces Purchase of a Minority Interest Fairway Medical Center

(NEW ORLEANS) – Feb. 1, 2017 – [LCMC Health](#), a not-for-profit, academic healthcare system comprised of Children’s Hospital, New Orleans East Hospital, Touro, University Medical Center and West Jefferson Medical Center, announced the purchase of a minority interest Fairway Medical Center, based in Covington, La. LCMC Health purchased a minority interest in the surgical hospital in partnership with several local, specialty surgeons. The joint ownership is effective Immediately.

“Fairway Medical Center is an exciting addition to the LCMC Health family and a significant step in our continued growth,” said Gregory C. Feirn, CEO of LCMC Health. “Fairway provides us with an opportunity to expand LCMC Health’s community-focused, exceptional healthcare to Northshore residents. We’re proud to continue Fairway’s 17-year legacy of quality, surgical care.”

“Collaborating with a respected health system like LCMC Health provides a tremendous opportunity to build upon Fairway Medical Center’s delivery of care,” said Dr. Samer Shamieh, Chairman of the Board at Fairway Medical Center. “We’re pleased to support the dedicated and talented physicians and staff at Fairway as they work to create a stronger, healthier community.”

Fairway Medical Center, which opened in 2000, is a 21-bed, accredited surgical hospital. Featuring 14 procedure/operating rooms, Fairway offers a variety of specialties including spine surgery, orthopedics, bariatric surgery, gastrointestinal medicine, ophthalmology, ENT/plastics and pain management. In addition to surgical services, Fairway offers imaging services, including x-rays, computerized tomography (CT) scans, and physical therapy.

The Fairway Medical Center purchase is the latest expansion for LCMC Health. Below is a listing of recent announcements for the health system:

- [January 2017](#) – Children’s Hospital breaks ground on Uptown New Orleans expansion
- [November 2016](#) – West Jefferson Medical Center opens pediatric emergency room, in partnership with Children’s Hospital
- [September 2016](#) – LCMC Health partners with Premier Health to create an urgent care center network in New Orleans
- [August 2016](#) – Children’s Hospital opens specialty outpatient facility in Covington, Children’s Hospital Northshore Center

Fairway Medical Center is located at 67252 Industry Lane, Covington, La. Patients will not experience interruptions in services during the transition. For additional information about Fairway Medical Center, please visit www.fairwaymedical.com. For more information on LCMC Health, its services or facilities, please visit www.lcmchealth.org.

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About LCMC Health

Established in 2009, [LCMC Health](http://www.lcmchealth.org) is a Louisiana-based, not-for-profit hospital system serving the healthcare needs of the Gulf Coast region. LCMC Health currently manages award-winning community hospitals including Children's Hospital, Touro, New Orleans East Hospital, University Medical Center New Orleans and West Jefferson Medical Center. For additional information about LCMC Health or its hospitals, please visit www.lcmchealth.org.