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Long-time Physician Leaves Halifax Regional Cardiology

ROANOKE RAPIDS, NC (February 3, 2014)—Halifax Regional announced today the departure of long-time Roanoke Rapids resident and board-certified cardiologist John V. Puthenveetil, MD from Halifax Regional Cardiology effective Tuesday, February 4, 2014.

“I have greatly valued my relationships with patients over the years, said John V. Puthenveetil, MD. I am appreciative and thankful for their loyalty and friendship over the years. I wish all my patients best wishes for their future health.” Puthenveetil has practiced in the area since 1998.

Halifax Regional is actively recruiting a physician to take over the Medical Center’s Cardiology practice located at 306 Becker Drive. In the interim, all of Dr. Puthenveetil’s patients will continue to receive excellent care from Michael Higginbotham, MD, who has agreed to serve on an interim basis until a full-time cardiologist is hired. Dr. Higginbotham comes to the area from Cheyenne, WY where he practiced for five years. With over 30 years of experience, Dr. Higginbotham’s expertise will be a great benefit to Halifax Regional Cardiology.

Patients who wish to seek medical care from another provider may contact the North Carolina Medical Society to assist them in their search of another cardiologist currently taking on new patients.

“All of us here at Halifax Regional are very appreciative of Dr. Puthenveetil for his years of service with the Medical Center and in the community, said William Mahone, president, Halifax Regional. We wish him well on his career and personal endeavors ahead.”

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