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**ARBUCKLE APPOINTED ASCENSION HEALTH
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER**

St. Louis, February 8, 2012—Katherine A. Arbuckle has been named Chief Financial Officer of Ascension Health, the nation's largest Catholic and nonprofit health system, it was announced today by Robert J. Henkel, FACHE, President and CEO.

Arbuckle comes to Ascension Health from Bon Secours Health System, Inc., where she has been Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer since 2006. Prior to joining Bon Secours she was Vice President, Finance for Ascension Health beginning in 2002. Earlier she was with St. Vincent Health in Indianapolis, a member of Ascension Health, and Clarian Health.

"We are very pleased to have Kathy back with Ascension Health," Henkel said in announcing Arbuckle's appointment. "She is the right person to lead the finance operations of our national health ministry at a time of increasing need for our services among those we serve and increasing complexity in healthcare.

"Kathy is noted throughout Catholic healthcare for both her financial acumen and her wholehearted commitment to the Mission of serving all with special attention to those who are poor and vulnerable," Henkel added.

About Ascension Health

Ascension Health (www.ascensionhealth.org) is transforming healthcare by providing the highest quality care to all, with special attention to those who are poor and

vulnerable. Ascension Health, which provided \$1.2 billion in care of persons living in poverty and community benefit programs last year, is the nation's largest Catholic and nonprofit health system. Its Mission-focused Health Ministries employ more than 121,000 associates serving in more than 1,400 locations in 21 states and the District of Columbia.

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