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Wuesthoff Health System Partners with *Specialists On Call* To Provide Teleneurology For Interactive Neurological Consults

“Service to provide immediate access to board certified, fellowship trained neurologists to diagnose stroke and neurological conditions”

Brevard County, FL (April 24, 2010) Wuesthoff Health System announced today they have partnered with *Specialists On Call*, a leading edge national teleneurology company providing advanced interactive neurological consults. The partnership will provide board certified, fellowship trained specialists on call 24/7 for the Wuesthoff Medical Center Rockledge emergency department, and primarily used for patients presenting with seizures, stroke, and TIA (transient ischemic attack).

Implemented this month, the interactive neurological service utilizes modern technology and telecommunications with immediate access to neurologists to diagnose stroke and neurological conditions.

“We had 18 consults within the first 15 days,” said John Baldwin, Wuesthoff Medical Center Rockledge emergency department services director. “This new system has streamlined our efficiency and provides continuity of care to our patients. In addition, our staff has adapted very well to the system which provides more timely care in our emergency department.”

Specialists On Call CEO, Dr. Joe Peterson added, “With every chance we get to expand our service, we extend access of state-of-the-art neurology care to emergency patients who are sometimes required to do without. In many emergencies, and especially acute

strokes, our ability to intervene in minutes can have a remarkable impact upon the patient's recovery.”

Specialists On Call is the first private telemedicine company to earn The Joint Commission's Gold Seal of Approval.

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