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**WEST BOCA MEDICAL CENTER PROMOTES HEALTHY BREASTFEEDING WITH
NEW LACTATION CONSULTANT**

*Anne-Marie Sawicki, MS, RN, International Board Certified Lactation Consultant, Provides
Breastfeeding Support to West Boca Mothers and Babies*

BOCA RATON, FL (September 2010) — Breastfeeding is healthy for mother and baby, but it can be a challenge for some new moms. Fortunately, a recent Centers for Disease Control and Prevention study showed that hospitals with policies and practices that create a supportive environment for breastfeeding can likely influence mothers to continue positive breastfeeding practices through discharge. To support breastfeeding and positively influence its new mothers, West Boca Medical Center recently brought experienced Lactation Consultant, Anne-Marie Sawicki, on board. Ms. Sawicki, a Registered Nurse and Board Certified Lactation Consultant, brings over 18 years of experience providing breastfeeding education and support to new mothers and their babies.

Ms. Sawicki will provide new mothers at West Boca Medical Center with reliable evidence-based information to support them in their breastfeeding goals. She is a health care professional whose practice focuses on providing education and skilled breastfeeding support to prevent, manage and resolve breastfeeding challenges. She encourages a social environment that effectively supports both mom and baby.

“As a hospital that provides an extensive list of maternity, neonatal and pediatric services, it is our responsibility to play an influential role in the lives of new mothers, said West Boca Medical Center Chief Nursing Officer Ruth Schwarzkopf, RN, MHM. “With Ms. Sawicki’s knowledge and expertise, our patients can better understand the benefits of breastfeeding and also overcome any challenges or concerns that they have.” “We are proud to support healthy beginnings for West Boca mothers and babies.”

West Boca Medical Center offers an extensive list of maternity, neonatal, and pediatric services. It has the only Level III Neonatal Intensive Care unit in North Broward County and

Boca Raton, which is the highest level designated by the state. In addition, the West Boca Medical Center staff is enhanced by more than 80 affiliated, board-certified pediatric specialists and subspecialists with expertise in treating a wide range of illnesses and injuries affecting children. The hospital's broad range of pediatric services are provided through the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit; Pediatric Intensive Care Unit; Pediatric Emergency Department; Pediatric Sleep Diagnostic Center; Outpatient Pediatric Therapy Center; and General Pediatric Services Unit.

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About West Boca Medical Center

West Boca Medical Center, part of Tenet South Florida, is a 195-bed acute care hospital located at 21644 State Road 7 in Boca Raton, Florida. West Boca Medical Center has been serving the medical and healthcare needs of its community and surrounding areas for over 20 years.

West Boca Medical Center offers a broad array of services, including general medical and surgical care, orthopedics and sports medicine, a robotic surgery program offering minimally invasive surgery for gynecological, urological and general surgical procedures, a state-of-the-art diagnostic imaging center featuring open MRI and digital mammography, cardiac and surgical intensive care, outpatient surgery services, 24-hour emergency services for adults and children, diabetes education, a cystic fibrosis program for adults and children, outpatient rehabilitation services and a specialized sleep diagnostic center with a dedicated lab for infants and pediatrics as well as adults. West Boca Medical Center is also a Certified Primary Stroke Center.

The hospital also offers several specialties, including a level III neonatal intensive care unit, the BirthCare Pavilion, a pediatric unit and a pediatric intensive care unit. It is also a recipient of the HealthGrades Maternity Care Excellence Award four years in a row (2006/2007 and 2007/2008, 2008/2009 and 2009/2010). HealthGrades has ranked West Boca's maternity program among the top 5% five percent in the nation for three years in a row (2007/2008, 2008/2009, 2009/2010).

The hospital is fully accredited by the Joint Commission on the accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, the nation's oldest and largest hospital accreditation agency. For more information about West Boca Medical Center or for physician referral, call 866-904-WBMC (9262) or visit the website at www.westbocamedctr.com.