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NAPH Appoints New Vice President for Advocacy and Policy

Beth Feldpush, DrPH Joins Executive Team

WASHINGTON, DC – The National Association of Public Hospitals and Health Systems (NAPH) recently announced the addition of Dr. Beth Feldpush to its executive team as Vice President for Advocacy and Policy.

Most recently, Feldpush served as a Senior Associate Director for Policy at the American Hospital Association (AHA) where she worked on health care delivery system reform and hospital quality and patient safety issues. In this role, she led AHA's work on value-based purchasing and other delivery system reform issues. Prior to joining the AHA, Feldpush was a Senior Analyst at the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) where her work focused on Medicare payment policy, end-of-life care, geographic variation in service delivery, and health care workforce adequacy. She also serves as adjunct faculty for the George Washington University School of Public Health Department of Health Policy.

In her new role, Feldpush will oversee the NAPH's advocacy and policy activities—coordinating and managing the federal government affairs activities; reviewing proposed policies, procedures and regulations implementing new or amended legislation, and assist in preparing comments on them; managing the association's participation in and leadership of coalitions and allied organization activities—acting as a liaison to other trade associations on issues of mutual concern; providing strategic leadership and advocating on behalf of safety net health systems; and communicating to the membership on relevant activities.

"Beth is a fantastic addition to our executive team," said Dr. Bruce Siegel, NAPH President and CEO. "Her background knowledge of integrated delivery systems, payment policies, quality and patient safety make her strong addition to our leadership team and aides our ability to deliver top-notch services to our members.

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About the National Association of Public Hospitals and Health Systems (NAPH)

NAPH represents the nation's largest metropolitan hospitals and health systems that fulfill a safety net mission of providing high volumes of care to low income individuals. These facilities provide high-quality health services for all patients, including the uninsured and underinsured, regardless of ability to pay. In addition to functioning as the country's default national health insurance system, public hospitals provide many essential communitywide services, such as primary care, trauma care, and neonatal intensive care. Public hospitals also train many of America's doctors, nurses, and other health care providers. Since its inception in 1980, NAPH has cultivated a strong presence on Capitol Hill, with the executive branch, and in many state capitols. NAPH advocates on behalf of its members on such issues as Medicaid, Medicare, and access to health care services for vulnerable populations. For more information, visit our website at <http://www.naph.org/>.