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**Hebrew SeniorLife Names Tammy Retalic as Vice President of Nursing and Patient and Family-Centered Care Services for Hebrew Rehabilitation Center**

*Retalic Brings 25 Years of Health Care Experience to New Role at Hebrew Rehabilitation Center*

BOSTON — Hebrew SeniorLife (HSL), the largest provider of senior health care and housing in New England and an affiliate of Harvard Medical School, today announced the appointment of Tammy Retalic to Vice President of Nursing and Patient and Family-Centered Care Services for the organization's Hebrew Rehabilitation Center, Boston location. Retalic brings nearly 25 years of health care experience to her new role, and spent the past eight years at Hebrew SeniorLife working with the organization's leadership team, employees and seniors as the Director of Professional Development, Infection Control and Occupational Health.

"Tammy is a seasoned and dedicated team player who has already greatly contributed to the evolution of our organization and helped ensure that the level of care we provide our seniors is unmatched," said Mary Moscato, Chief Operating Officer of the organization's Hebrew Rehabilitation Center and Health Care Services divisions. "The expertise she brings to this new role will prove valuable as we deliver on our commitment to provide the highest quality care to seniors in Greater Boston."

As Vice President of Nursing and Patient and Family-Centered Care Services, Retalic will oversee the administrative and clinical functions of several expanding departments at Hebrew Rehabilitation Center's Boston location including Nursing, Social Services, Recreational Services and Creative Arts. Retalic will ensure these departments operate in compliance with all federal and state regulations. She will also work closely with the Quality and Regulatory Affairs team to guarantee HSL's clinical quality standards are achieved.

"I am thrilled to continue my work with a team of such committed health care professionals," said Retalic. "It's an exciting time as we offer new and innovative services to our seniors and I'm looking forward to having a hand in their implementation."

In her previous position, Retalic led professional development initiatives, advancing HSL's efforts in employee orientation and education both for new and current staff members across the organization. She established a successful career development program with 38 Licensed Practical Nurse graduates and oversaw the execution of a new advanced leadership program for internal leaders. Retalic also ensured HSL's high compliance with regulatory requirements for infection control and occupational health.

Prior to joining HSL in 2004, Retalic worked at Marlborough Hospital in Marlborough, Mass., as the Director of Inpatient Medical Surgical and Outpatient Pain/Oncology Services from 1999 to 2004. In this role, Retalic was responsible for 35 beds in a medical surgical unit and provided oversight for outpatient oncology and pain management service lines as well as inpatient case management and infection control programs. As a registered nurse, Retalic also held positions at UMass Memorial Medical Center

in Worcester, Mass., Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, Mass., and Beth Israel Hospital in Boston, Mass.

Retalic is a member of the Organization for Nurse Leaders and formerly served as the Regional Representative on the organization's Board of Directors. She served on the Nursing Home Administrator Board for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts from November 2009 to March 2010.

Retalic received her undergraduate degree from the University of Vermont and an M.S. in nursing from Boston College. She currently resides in Framingham, Mass.

**About Hebrew Rehabilitation Center**

Hebrew Rehabilitation Center, an affiliate of Harvard Medical School, provides an array of health care services for seniors at locations in Boston and Dedham. Services include long-term care, post-acute care, adult day health, and outpatient services.

**About Hebrew SeniorLife**

Founded in 1903, Hebrew SeniorLife, an affiliate of Harvard Medical School, is a non-sectarian, nonprofit organization devoted to innovative research, health care, education and housing that improves the lives of seniors. For more information, visit [www.hebrewseniorlife.org](http://www.hebrewseniorlife.org).

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