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Cascade Regional Blood Service's Board Appoints New President/CEO

Christine Swinehart has been named President and Chief Executive Officer of Cascade Regional Blood Services.

Ms. Swinehart has served as Chief Financial Officer/Chief Operating Officer of Cascade Regional Blood Services for the past eight years. She has an extensive background in Medical Technology and is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA). In her new role, she will be responsible for the strategic planning, operations and management of over 110 employees as well as maintaining the safe and consistent blood supply to 10 south Puget Sound hospitals.

John Thompson, Cascade Regional Blood Service's Board Chairman stated: "She earned the CEO position with her complete dedication to the organization and vision of the blood center's future in the community."

Ms. Swinehart will officially assume the President and CEO responsibilities on January 1, 2007. The board appointed her to replace current President and CEO Charles Drummond. Drummond, whose retirement is effective Dec. 31, has served in that position for the past nine years. His retirement ends a 43-year career in the blood banking industry. Drummond was honored by employees, board members and community members at a retirement party Dec. 3.

Cascade Regional Blood Service's mission is to provide a constant, safe, cost effective supply of blood and blood components to the communities it serves.



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