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Province CEO Elected Chairman at Federation Conference

Washington, DC – The Federation of American Hospitals elected its 2001 Chairman during this morning’s opening session of the annual FAH Conference and Exposition being held in Washington, DC. Martin “Marty” S. Rash, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Province Healthcare in Brentwood, Tennessee, was elected to serve in the post for the 2001 – 2002 session.

“To a large degree, the health care delivery system of our nation stands at a crossroads,” commented Acting Federation CEO Laura Thevenot. “While Congress and a new Administration debate the merits of legislation to address the uninsured, Medicare reform, prescription drug coverage, and a host of critical health care needs, it’s essential that hospitals have a principal who can provide the guidance and voice our industry needs and deserves. Today’s election of Marty Rash is great news for the Federation and our entire industry. He is a universally well respected leader in the health care community, a thoughtful manager and a dynamic person. The Federation is grateful for Marty’s willingness to take the mantle as Board Chairman at this time, and looks forward to his guidance over the coming year.”

Rash co-founded Province Healthcare in February 1996, and currently serves as its Chairman and CEO. With more than 20 years of experience in health care operations, Rash previously served as Executive Vice President and COO with Community Health Systems, another Brentwood, Tennessee-based health care company, and he is also a current member of both the Odyssey Healthcare Board of Directors and the Nashville Healthcare Council.

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