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Attentus Healthcare Acquires Scott County Hospital in Oneida, Tennessee

FRANKLIN, Tenn. – Feb. 1, 2005 – Attentus Healthcare announced today the lease of Scott County Hospital in Oneida, Tennessee. The 99-bed hospital is a county-owned hospital that had been operated for the past 15 years under a lease agreement with Community Health Systems (CHS).

Attentus Healthcare intends to build a new hospital within the next three to four years, replacing the existing 50-year-old facility with a more efficient hospital offering expanded services and a strong outpatient emphasis. In addition, Attentus expects to bring, as needed, new physicians into the area and expand available services.

Robert A. Yeager, Chairman and Co-CEO of Attentus, said, “We strongly support the delivery of quality healthcare to Scott County and expect the enthusiasm of new ownership and future changes to be exciting news for the people served by the hospital. We look forward to working with the physicians and staff of the hospital whom we know and respect.”

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“We at Attentus are eager to blend our management expertise with the current dedicated employees of Scott County Hospital,” said Richard D. Gore, Co-CEO and President. “We intend to invest the capital, leadership and physician recruitment resources to meet the needs of the community.”

Attentus healthcare is a company dedicated to providing quality, cost-effective healthcare in non-urban communities. Headquartered in Franklin, Tennessee, the Company focuses on recruiting and retaining physicians, expanding services and patient satisfaction in the hospitals it acquires.

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