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EDGERTON HOSPITAL'S CARDIAC SERVICES MANAGER RECEIVES AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

(Edgerton, WI) Edgerton Hospital's Cardiac Services Manager, Sue Kindschi, RN, BA, recently received the 2011 Award of Excellence from the Wisconsin Society for Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Health & Rehabilitation (WISCPHR).

Sue was given the Award of Excellence in recognition of her outstanding contribution in the field of cardiac and/or pulmonary health and rehabilitation. WISCPHR identified Sue as an individual who is motivated to improve the lives of patients and their families, as well as the practice of cardiac and/or pulmonary rehabilitation. She was also recognized as an individual who leads by example and who is a role model for professionals as well as patients.

The award is intended to recognize a current WISCPHR member who is:

- Actively working in the field of cardiac and/or pulmonary rehabilitation
- Involved at the regional and state level
 - Is currently or has been on the WISCPHR Board of Directors (elected officer or Regional Rep)
 - Is currently or has served on or chaired WISCPHR committees
 - Is currently or has served/lead various WISCPHR projects such as Day on the Hill, legislative/reimbursement projects, etc
- Currently or was recently involved in AACVPR (committee, task force or other project) or other professional organizations that have a similar mission as WISCPHR (ACSM, PCNA, WI Cardiovascular Health Alliance, ALA, AHA, AARC)
- An example of professional leadership through involvement in administrative, political or community pursuits that further the mission and goals of WISCPHR and cardiac or pulmonary rehabilitation

With 25 years of experience in health care, Sue has been leading Edgerton Hospital's Cardiac Services department since 2008 and has been extremely active in WISCPHR. In addition to serving as president in 2006/2007, she has also been on the board of directors, served on numerous committees and has been instrumental in bringing health issues to our State Representatives and Senators. "I am honored and privileged to be the recipient of this prestigious award. I have extreme passion for the cardiovascular field and the patients that I serve, it's a wonderful feeling to be recognized in this way," said Kindschi.

Edgerton Hospital's Cardiac Services department is available for community members to use as a resource and provides an excellent opportunity for those recovering from heart disease to do so locally. Besides cardiac rehabilitation, Sue's department offers a variety of other cardiac services including electrocardiograms, stress echocardiograms, stress testing, pulmonary function testing, Holter and event monitor testing and a wide range of diagnostic vascular ultrasounds. Cardiac Services will also be available at the new Edgerton Hospital, which will open on October 1, 2011.

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Edgerton Hospital is a Critical Access Hospital. The hospital serves the communities of Edgerton, Milton and surrounding communities. Founded in 1923, the facility offers inpatient, outpatient, surgical, diagnostic, emergency, urgent care and rehabilitation services. It is an affiliate of SSM Health Care of Wisconsin/St. Mary's Hospital. For additional information about Edgerton Hospital, please visit www.edgertonhospital.com.