

MTMC execs earn leadership awards



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MTMC President and CEO Gordon Ferguson shakes hands with the last inpatient, William Manus, as he leaves the Highland Avenue campus for transport to the new hospital on Medical Center Parkway on Oct. 2. Ferguson was named a Health Care Hero of 2010 by the Nashville Business Journal, in the community leader category.

CEO, VP honored for impact on health care

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Middle Tennessee Medical Center President and CEO, Gordon B. Ferguson, and Vice President of Support Services, Rodger Klein, have received top awards for their leadership in health care.

Ferguson was named a Health Care Hero of 2010 by the Nashville Business Journal, in the community leader category. The award honors Middle Tennessee professionals who have had an impact on the both the health care industry and their community. Ferguson has served as MTMC's president and CEO since 2006 and in 2009 was named one of Business Tennessee Magazine's top 25 hos-



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pital operators in Tennessee. He serves on the board of directors for United Way of Rutherford County and Business Education Partnership, and he is a member of noon Rotary, graduate of Leadership Rutherford and Chairman-Elect for the Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors.

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MTMC staff members move Charlie Fox Jr. into his bed after the move from the old facility on Highland Avenue to the new hospital on Medical Center Parkway on Oct. 2.

Klein has received the senior-level health-care executive award from the American College of Healthcare Executives. The award honors Klein for his support and commitment to the college and health care in Tennessee. He is a long time health care executive, having started his career with HCA in 1976. Prior to joining MTMC, Klein most recently served as the chief operating officer at Williamson Medical Center in Franklin. In addition to overseeing MTMC's support services, Klein also oversaw the recent transition to MTMC's new hospital and works with MTMC's develop-

ment partner, Southeast Ventures, in the disposition of its old campus.

Ferguson and Klein are each Fellows in the American College of Healthcare Executives and past presidents of the Healthcare Executives Forum of Middle

Tennessee. Ferguson and his wife Cindy and two sons live in Murfreesboro and attend First United Methodist Church. Klein and his wife Cherry live in Franklin and have one grown daughter.

Saint Thomas Health Services is a faith-based ministry with more than 6,500 associates serving Middle Tennessee. Saint Thomas Health Services' regional health system consists of four hospitals - Baptist and Saint Thomas in Nashville,

Middle Tennessee Medical Center in Murfreesboro and Hickman Community Hospital in Centerville - and a comprehensive network of affiliated joint ventures in diagnostics, cardiac services and ambulatory surgery as well as medical practices, the

Center for Spinal Surgery, clinics and rehabilitation facilities. STHS is a member of Ascension Health, a Catholic organization that is the largest not-for-profit health system in the United States. For more information, visit www.sths.com.