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NEWS RELEASE

Esse Health Names New Director of Quality Assurance

ST. LOUIS – Dr. Filippo John Ferrigni is joining Esse Health, one of the St. Louis region’s largest independent physician groups, as its director of quality assurance.

Ferrigni has more than 30 years of experience in the medical field and has previously served as vice president of clinical affairs and medical director for SSM St. Joseph Hospital West, where he was responsible for managing more than 700 voluntary medical staff located on four sites. Most recently, he was a physician surveyor for the Joint Commission.

“Dr. Ferrigni comes to Esse Health with an impressive resume, from his education to work experience and published writings, and we are confident he will be a great asset,” said Mike Castellano, CEO. “As we continuously focus on the quality of our patient care, we look forward to seeing how he can better our services even more.”



Ferrigni first received a bachelor’s degree in physics from Yale University and a Master of Medical Science from Robert Wood Johnson Medical School before getting his doctorate in medicine from Washington University. He is a former member of the Illinois/Missouri Chapter of Enteral and Parenteral Nutrition and previously served as president for the St. Louis Metropolitan Society of Critical Care Medicine. He also served as chairman for numerous medical staff committees at SSM St. Joseph Health Center and SSM St. Joseph Hospital West. In addition, several of Ferrigni’s research and medical articles have been published.

In his new position, Ferrigni will be responsible for administering and managing the company’s quality improvement program, including the supervision and coordination of activities to ensure patient quality care. He also will be responsible for evaluating the effectiveness of quality assurance policies and procedures to enhance standards and service.

Esse Health is a St. Louis-based physician group that strives to improve the overall well-being of its patients through patient education, lifestyle modification and prevention. With 28 locations throughout the St. Louis and Metro East area, Esse Health's services include asthma, allergy and immunology, family medicine, internal medicine, nutrition, pediatrics and radiology. Esse Health is recognized as a leader in using technology in health care and physician accountability for both quality and cost-of-care. For more information on Esse Health, visit www.essehealth.com.