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## **New Haven Hospice Administrator wants families to know they have choices**

(DeLAND)— Sandra Lynch, new Administrator of Haven Hospice in DeLand, is excited to continue her personal and professional commitment to being an advocate for patients and their families who need to know they have choices. “I will spend a great deal of time in the community to help our residents know what hospice services are and when it’s appropriate to seek them,” said Lynch, a registered nurse who has specialized in serving seniors and children through her work with assisted living facilities, a community council on aging, mental health centers and hospitals. “People want to know they have choices,” she said. “I see hospice as a choice. There is so much we can do to serve people’s needs and fulfill their final wishes.”



Lynch said her team of nurses, social workers, chaplains, physicians and volunteers will make a noticeable difference in serving those in our community faced with end-of-life needs. “The way Haven treats patients and their families sets us apart,” she added. “Our team does an outstanding job of providing comprehensive and compassionate care. I am confident we will continue to raise the level of hospice care provided in Volusia and Flagler counties.”

She comes to Haven with more than 25 years of experience in community health, most recently from Holiday Retirement Corporation, where she had served as Director of Assisted Living. Lynch earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology from the University of North Florida in Jacksonville and holds an Associate Degree in Nursing from Central Florida Community College in Ocala. A native of Baltimore who moved to Ocala when she was 12, Lynch now resides in Port Orange.

For information about Haven Hospice, call (386) 734-7600.

### **About Haven Hospice**

Haven Hospice is North Florida’s expert in end-of-life and palliative care and is one of three 2008 Circle of Life Award® winners nationwide to be recognized as leaders in improving the care of patients near the end of life or with life-threatening conditions. Haven Hospice has also been recognized as a Florida Pacesetter for its leadership in promoting living wills. Haven Hospice has served more than 45,000 patients and families since 1979 and has been licensed in Florida as a not-for-profit hospice since 1980. For more information, visit [www.havenhospice.org](http://www.havenhospice.org) or call 800-727-1889.

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