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Western Connecticut Health Network Welcomes Richard Gemming To Lead Western Connecticut Medical Group

New Executive Director to Oversee One of Connecticut's Premier Physician Group

Danbury, Connecticut – June 21, 2016 -- Richard Gemming, PA, MPH, has joined the [Western Connecticut Health Network](#) (WCHN) as the new Executive Director of the [Western Connecticut Medical Group](#) (WCMG) and Vice President of WCHN. Gemming will report directly to the WCHN President and CEO Dr. John Murphy and the WCMG Board of Directors.

Gemming comes to WCHN from the New York Presbyterian Healthcare System where he led strategy and development of the system's primary and specialty care physician network. A proven change management leader, he has successfully developed and managed nine service lines, three joint ventures and numerous other significant healthcare acquisitions. During this time, Gemming served as a board trustee for Hudson Valley Hospital Center, New York Hospital Queens and Nyack Hospital.

Prior to joining New York Presbyterian Healthcare System, Gemming was the Chief Operating Officer of the Center for Interventional Vascular Therapies at Columbia University. At Columbia, he developed "HeartSource," a consultative service to six acute care hospitals and 10 other institutions across the nation.

WCHN President and CEO, Dr. John Murphy shared, "Richard has an excellent reputation for both his business acumen and clinical leadership in a variety of settings. There is no doubt that his unique combination of skills and experience will lead to improved patient experiences, increased physician satisfaction and great innovation especially in the primary care arena."

Gemming shared, "Western Connecticut Medical Group is a growing and thriving community of professionals dedicated to the idea of personal care without compromise. They are very focused on keeping the patient first and I look forward to growing that patient-centered culture in our new work together."

Gemming received a Bachelor of Science in Medicine (Physician's Assistant Program) from Long Island University and a Master of Public Health (Health Policy and Management Program) from Columbia University.

About Western CT Medical Group

At [Western Connecticut Medical Group](#), our highly-skilled, board-certified physicians provide safe, innovative, convenient, and coordinated primary and specialty care. With more than 59 locations across western Connecticut and adjacent New York for your convenience, we are one of Connecticut's largest physician groups. Our focus remains on our patients; building relationships with the people we serve, keeping them well and thriving and always ready with compassionate and progressive care when they are sick or injured. WCMG provides progressive medicine with a patient experience designed specifically for you. WCMG, where *we know you well*.

About Western Connecticut Health Network

Western Connecticut Health Network (WCHN) is the region's premier, patient-centred health care organization built for the people we serve in Western Connecticut and adjacent New York. WCHN is a place where patients always come first, where our talented staff takes pride in keeping people well and provide compassionate, contemporary care when our patients need our help. We take heart that no matter how great the challenge, every medical history can become a brighter medical future together.

WCHN is anchored by three nationally recognized hospitals, [Danbury Hospital](#), [New Milford Hospital](#) and [Norwalk Hospital](#), with the continuum of outpatient health and wellness services offered by numerous medical practices and sub-specialties across the region through the [Western Connecticut Medical Group](#), the [Western Connecticut Home Care](#). [Committed to learning and innovation, our hospitals collaborate with the University of Vermont Medical College and many other well-known academic institutions to promote the most progressive care possible.](#) The nationally renowned [WCHN Research Institute](#), the [WCHN Foundation](#) and [Norwalk Hospital Foundation](#) and other affiliates complete the WCHN family where *We Know You Well!* For more information, visit www.westernconnecticuthealthnetwork.org. Share your comments with us at [Facebook.com/DanburyHospital](https://www.facebook.com/DanburyHospital); [Facebook.com/NewMilfordHospital](https://www.facebook.com/NewMilfordHospital) and/or [Facebook.com/NorwalkHospital](https://www.facebook.com/NorwalkHospital).

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