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**HARTFORD HOSPITAL APPOINTS NEW CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER**

**(Hartford, Conn.) – Stuart Markowitz, MD has been appointed chief medical officer for Hartford Hospital, effective January 1. Dr. Markowitz brings such respect, experience and skill to the hospital that a national search was not necessary.**

**“Dr. Markowitz lives the values we hold dear at Hartford Hospital each and every day,” said Jeffrey Flaks, Hartford Hospital president and CEO. “He is a physician of great integrity, someone who truly understands our culture and our organization. Dr. Markowitz has the foresight, the experience and the personality to help us lead Hartford Hospital into the future. He is a trusted member of the medical community and a proven leader. He is respected by his colleagues as a clinician and also as a dedicated teacher to tomorrow’s doctors.”**

**Although this is a new leadership role for Dr. Markowitz, he has been a leader at Hartford Hospital for decades, serving as vice president of the medical staff for two years and serving as the chair and medical director of Hartford Hospital’s Department of Radiology since 1995. He also spent nearly thirty years in private practice.**

**Dr. Markowitz has a national reputation and his research is frequently published in medical journals. He is consistently recognized as one of the area’s “Best Doctors” in Hartford Magazine and Connecticut Magazine.**

**“I think this is an exciting time for our medical staff,” said Dr. Markowitz. “I hope we can further open the lines of communication between administration and the medical staff by using proven tools, such as How Hartford HealthCare Works (H3W). H3W helps our staff become more fully engaged in shaping the hospital of the future. I’m thrilled to have the opportunity to be a part of that.”**

**Dr. Stuart Markowitz received his undergraduate degree from the University of Pennsylvania and his medical degree from University of Health Sciences - the Chicago Medical School. He is a member of the Society of Academic Radiology Departments, the American College of Radiology, and is a fellow with the American Society of Emergency Radiology.**



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