



Subject: Annette Simmons Named Program Chair for Cabarrus

College Pharmacy Tech Program

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Concord, N.C. — <u>Cabarrus College of Health Sciences</u> (www.cabarruscollege.edu) recently named Annette Simmons, BS, CPhT, as the founding program chair of the new Pharmacy Technology associate degree program.

Simmons previously worked as a pharmacy technician for more than 17 years, including five years for Carolinas HealthCare System. Simmons has an associate in arts degree from Central Piedmont Community College and a bachelor of science degree in health services management from East Carolina University.

The Pharmacy Technology program will enroll new students for the first time beginning in August 2011. An application for admission can be submitted online at <a href="https://www.cabarruscollege.edu">www.cabarruscollege.edu</a>. To learn more about the Pharmacy Technology program, contact an admissions counselor at 704-403-1555 or admissions@cabarruscollege.edu.

## About Cabarrus College of Health Sciences

Cabarrus College of Health Sciences, an affiliate of Carolinas HealthCare System, is located on the campus of Carolinas Medical Center-NorthEast in Concord, North Carolina. Five hundred and fourteen students are enrolled in six associate degree and three baccalaureate completion programs. Associate degree programs include medical assistant, nursing, occupational therapy assistant, pharmacy technology, surgical technology and associate in science. Baccalaureate completion programs include health services leadership and management, medical imaging and nursing. The College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. For additional information, visit <a href="www.cabarruscollege.edu">www.cabarruscollege.edu</a>.

## **About Carolinas HealthCare System**

<u>Carolinas HealthCare System</u> (www.carolinashealthcare.org), one of the leading healthcare organizations in the Southeast, includes 33 affiliated hospitals in North and South Carolina. CHS provides a lifetime medical home to all patients through a network of some 600 care locations that includes hospitals, freestanding emergency departments, physician practices, surgical and rehabilitation centers, home health agencies, nursing homes and other facilities. These operations comprise more than 1,700 employed physicians, 6,300 licensed beds and 48,000 employees.

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