

Tenet Announces Tender Offer for 7.375% Senior Notes due 2013

DALLAS – August 3, 2010 – Tenet Healthcare Corporation (NYSE: THC) announced today that it will be commencing today a tender offer to purchase up to \$800 million aggregate principal amount of its outstanding 7.375% senior notes due 2013. The tender offer is being made pursuant to an offer to purchase dated as of August 3, 2010 and a related letter of transmittal. The tender offer will expire at 12:00 midnight, New York City time, on August 30, 2010.

Holders of 7.375% senior notes that are validly tendered prior to the early tender time of 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on August 16, 2010 and accepted will receive total consideration of \$1,055 per \$1,000 principal amount of notes, which includes an early tender premium of \$30 per \$1,000 principal amount of notes, plus any accrued and unpaid interest up to, but not including, the settlement date.

Holders of 7.375% senior notes that are validly tendered after the early tender time, but prior to the expiration of the tender offer, and accepted will receive the tender offer consideration of \$1,025 per \$1,000 principal amount of notes, plus any accrued and unpaid interest up to, but not including, the settlement date. Holders of notes tendered after the early tender time and accepted will not receive an early tender premium. Notes tendered after the withdrawal deadline of 5:00 p.m. New York City time on August 16, 2010 may not be withdrawn except as required by law.

Consummation of the tender offer is subject to the satisfaction or waiver of certain conditions, including a \$600 million minimum tender condition and consummation of a new senior notes offering. The aggregate principal amount of the 7.375% senior notes to be purchased will be limited to \$800 million. If the aggregate principal amount of notes tendered exceeds the limit, then any 7.375% senior notes purchased will

be prorated pursuant to the terms of the offer to purchase. Tenet may amend, extend or terminate the tender offer in its sole discretion.

This news release is neither an offer to purchase nor a solicitation of an offer to sell any notes. The tender offer is being made pursuant to an offer to purchase and related letter of transmittal, copies of which will be delivered to all holders of the 7.375% senior notes. Persons with questions regarding the tender offer should contact one of the following dealer managers — Barclays Capital at (800) 438-3242 (toll free) or (212) 528-7581 (collect), BofA Merrill Lynch at (888) 292-0070 (toll free) or (980) 388-9217 (collect), Goldman, Sachs & Co. at (800) 828-3182 (toll free) or (212) 902-5183 (collect) or Citi at (800) 588-3745 (toll free) — or the Information Agent, Global Bondholder Services Corporation, at (866) 795-2200 (toll free) or (212) 430-3774 (collect).

Tenet Healthcare Corporation is a health care services company whose subsidiaries and affiliates own and operate acute care hospitals, ambulatory surgery centers and diagnostic imaging centers. Tenet's hospitals and related health care facilities are committed to providing high quality care to patients in the communities they serve.

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