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**Truman Medical Center Lakewood Welcomes
Kelly James, MD, FACS, and Jonathan Patterson, MD**

Kansas City, Mo — Effective November 2013, [Kelly James, MD, FACS](#) and [Jonathan Patterson, MD](#), of [Surgical Care of Independence](#) will partner with [Truman Medical Center \(TMC\) Lakewood](#), allowing for admission/discharge privileges and to utilize the facilities of the state-of-the-art TMC Lakewood Surgical Center. Drs. James and Patterson will continue to see their patients for pre and post-operative care at their Independence clinical offices.

“TMC Lakewood is excited to partner with two of the best community based surgeons in Eastern Jackson County, which offers an increased patient base the opportunity to experience the top-quality care and facilities we offer,” said TMC Lakewood Chief Operating Officer Charlie Shields. “Drs. James and Patterson, like TMC, are dedicated to providing the best in personalized care and it is an honor they have chosen to bring their valued patients to our surgical facility.”

Dr. Kelly James is a proud native of New York but has made his home in Missouri. He has been a general surgeon with the practice since 1993. He is a graduate of New York University and attended medical school at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine. He completed his general surgery residency at Stonybrook University in Long Island, NY. He is board certified in general surgery by the American Board of Surgery and is a fellow of the American College of Surgeons.

“We are pleased to be part of the TMC Lakewood medical staff and we believe this new partnership continues our long-term commitment to providing the highest level of care and utilizing the best possible surgical facilities available,” Dr. James said.

Dr. Jonathan Patterson is a native of Blue Springs, MO. He earned his undergraduate and medical degrees from the University of Missouri-Columbia. He completed his residency in general surgery at Truman Medical Center and Saint Luke's Hospital of Kansas City. Dr. Patterson is board certified in general surgery by the American Board of Surgery.

James and Patterson will perform the full spectrum of general surgical procedures at the TMC Lakewood surgery center including breast cancer, abdominal, laparoscopic and advanced wound care to name a few. For more information please call their offices at 816-254-9292 or the surgery center at 816-404-9394.

About TMC Lakewood

Truman Medical Center Lakewood is part of a not-for-profit, two acute-care hospital health system in Kansas City. In addition to Lakewood, the TMC Health System includes TMC Hospital Hill, TMC Behavioral Health, a 188-bed Long Term Care facility, the management of the Jackson County Health Department and a number of primary care practices throughout Eastern Jackson County. TMC Lakewood is the primary teaching hospital for the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Medicine, Department of Community and Family Medicine residency program and specializes in family medicine, geriatrics, dentistry, sports medicine and orthopaedics. For more information, please call (816) 404-3785 or visit www.trumed.org.