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Truman Medical Center Lakewood Welcomes Sarah Sudduth, MD

Kansas City, Mo — [Truman Medical Center \(TMC\) Lakewood](#), welcomes Sarah Sudduth, MD to the Obstetrics/Gynecology Department. Dr. Sudduth is board certified by the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology and is certified in DaVinci robotic surgery procedures. She will see patients in the TMC Lakewood Medical Pavilion, specialty clinics and will deliver in the Lakewood Family Birthplace.

"I am pleased to be part of the TMC Lakewood medical team that places a premium on providing the highest level of care in the most comfortable, state-of-the-art facilities available for women, new and mothers-to-be," Dr. Sudduth said.

Lakewood Family Birthplace, opened in October 2011, has realized a 50 percent growth in births in a very short period of time. With capacity for more than 1,800 births per year the facility delivered nearly 1,500 in 2013. The Lakewood Family Birthplace was designed with one focus in mind, the comfort, safety and security of the families giving birth. The family-centered birthing experience includes 19, spacious and private suites each with their own private luxury bathroom and shower and the choice between standard hospital beds and queen sized Murphy-Beds. Each room features picturesque views of Eastern Jackson County, flat screen TVs, Wi-Fi and a unit based spa with jetted tub for pre or post birth relaxation.

The Lakewood Family Birthplace also provides new moms the unique choice in medical staff including board certified obstetrics/gynecologists, family medicine specialists and Certified Nurse Midwives. With the Level II Neonatal Intensive Care Unit on site, new moms and their families have the added comfort of knowing that most complications can

be taken care of by Children's Mercy Hospital specialists immediately and without transfer to another facility.

Family-focused care does not begin or end with labor and delivery. The Lakewood Family Birthplace also offers pre-natal/childbirth classes and each new mom and dad will have the opportunity to take an education class, aimed at assisting them in the caring for their newborn at home. In addition, a lactation consultant is on-site to support moms pre and post-natal with breast-feeding concerns and education.

For more information or to take a tour of the Lakewood Family Birthplace please call 816-404-BABY (2229) or to make an appointment with Dr. Sudduth please call 816-404-7600.

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.

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