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**CIS PARTNERS WITH IBERIA MEDICAL CENTER FOR CARDIAC SERVICE LINE**

NEW IBERIA - Cardiovascular Institute of the South (CIS) has partnered with Iberia Medical Center to manage the cardiovascular service line at the hospital.

This new collaboration will allow for CIS and Iberia Medical Center to provide the most advanced, high-quality cardiovascular diagnostics and treatment to the community of New Iberia. These expanded services will include CIS management of the cardiac cath lab, as well as the ongoing development of new interventional procedures and treatment regimens at the hospital. Hospital services include catheterizations, angiograms, angioplasties, and a variety of interventional procedures.

“Any effective cardiovascular program requires physicians and hospitals to work together,” said CIS CEO David Konur. “This is a great opportunity to provide joint care in New Iberia, allowing us to offer more comprehensive care to improve outcomes of the patients in the community.”

“This collaboration is clearly aligned with the hospital’s mission and will enhance our cardiovascular services by allowing for expanded resources, continued improved outcomes and greater efficiencies,” stated Parker Templeton, Iberia Medical Center CEO.

With cardiovascular disease remaining the number one cause of death in Louisiana, this partnership comes at a crucial time to create more awareness for vascular disease and to help our community members understand their risk and the importance of early detection.

**About Cardiovascular Institute of the South**

Founded by Dr. Craig Walker in 1983, Cardiovascular Institute of the South (CIS) is a world-leader in preventing, detecting and treating cardiovascular and peripheral vascular disease. CIS offers a comprehensive heart and vascular program with expert physicians trained in many specialties, including internal medicine, nuclear cardiology, electrophysiology, lipid management, coronary artery disease, peripheral vascular disease, valve disease and interventional cardiovascular procedures. CIS has earned international acclaim as a pioneer of research, development and education, as well as an innovator in the treatment of peripheral vascular disease. With a dedicated team of more than 800 team members, CIS provides comprehensive cardiovascular care at 19 locations across Louisiana and Mississippi, with

seven telemedicine programs. CIS remains at the forefront of technology, providing the highest-quality, compassionate care. This mission has guided the institute for more than 35 years of excellence. For more information about CIS, call 1-800-425-2565 or visit [www.cardio.com](http://www.cardio.com).

#### **About Iberia Medical Center**

Iberia Medical Center is a not-for-profit, award-winning hospital committed to improving the health and quality of life of its community. From humble beginnings as an endeavor of the local Lions Club, Iberia Medical Center was created through the establishment of Hospital Service District No. 1 in 1951.

Additional collaboration with the Iberia Parish Police Jury resulted in the opening of Iberia Parish Hospital September 13, 1960. Today, Iberia Medical Center is home to over 30 medical specialties provided by over 140 physicians. Services include emergency medicine, orthopedics, long-term acute care, obstetrics and gynecology, pediatrics, cardiovascular, critical care and surgical services. With the addition of its North campus, services at the Lewis Street location include the Women's Diagnostic Center, 14-bed inpatient rehabilitation unit, Advanced Wound Center, outpatient Rehab Center, Hepatology Clinic and inpatient and outpatient behavioral health.

Iberia Medical also provides services through the Jeanerette Rural Health Clinic, Cancer Center of Acadiana-New Iberia Clinic, and physician practices representing 7 specialties. Discover more [Iberiamedicalcenter.com](http://Iberiamedicalcenter.com) or follow us on [Twitter](#) or [Facebook](#).

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