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## **DR. HEATHER MACDONALD NAMED AS NEW VICE PRESIDENT OF MEDICINE, BRIDGEPOINT HEALTH**

**Toronto, April 17, 2006** – Marian Walsh, President and CEO of Bridgepoint Health, is pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Heather MacDonald to the position of Vice President, Medicine, Bridgepoint Health.

A specialist in Internal Medicine and Geriatric Medicine, Dr. MacDonald was most recently Program Chief of Aging & Veterans Care at Sunnybrook & Women's College Health Sciences Centre, where she is credited with creating one of Canada's premier veteran care programs. Dr. MacDonald is also Assistant Professor in the Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto, and an accomplished and award winning teacher in Geriatrics and Internal Medicine.

In her new role, Dr. MacDonald will provide medical leadership to Bridgepoint to further advance Bridgepoint's unique model of care that will allow us to support patients at every stage of their illness and help them to learn to live well through prevention, care and health promotion.

"Dr. MacDonald is a welcome addition to the Bridgepoint leadership team," said Ms. Walsh. "Her extensive experience and significant accomplishments in clinical care, program development, physician leadership and teaching will be invaluable to Bridgepoint patients and family members and to Bridgepoint Health as we pursue our vision to become Canada's Leader."

"Bridgepoint Health has impressed me as place that has a deep commitment to patients, and is on the cutting edge of the new frontier of health care. I'm looking forward to being able to contribute to a great team," said Dr. MacDonald.

Bridgepoint Health is an integrated health services organization focused on providing a continuum of care for individuals in the Greater Toronto Area who are living with complex chronic disease and disability. This announcement comes shortly on the heels of receiving Provincial funding for a new state of the art Hospital and City of Toronto approval for a Bridgepoint campus development plan that will see the historic Don Jail renovated and the creation of new, accessible parklands in the Riverdale community in central Toronto. Bridgepoint Health is comprised of Bridgepoint Hospital; Bridgepoint Health Research Institute; Bridgepoint Centre for Living; Bridgepoint Community Rehab; and Bridgepoint Health Foundation.

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