



*Beaufort Regional Health System*

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**Cook, Crews, Easley and Richardson Named to 2009 Best Doctors List**

**(Washington, N.C.)** – Four Beaufort County physicians were named to the 2009 Business NC Magazine’s Best Doctors list for North Carolina. *Best Doctors* is a company that polls physicians. Those physicians are asked which doctors they would choose for themselves or a family member. According to *Best Doctors*, the list for North Carolina includes less than 5 percent of our state's 29,000 licensed physicians.

Beaufort Regional Health System is proud to recognize four of our local physicians who have been named to the 2009 list. They include:

Dr. Russel Cook has been with Washington Pediatrics since 1979. He is a graduate of Duke University and Wake Forest University and is board certified by the American Board of Pediatrics. He is a member of the North Carolina Medical Society, the North Carolina Pediatric Society and the Pamlico-Albermarle Medical Society. He is a former Chief of Staff for Beaufort County Medical Center.

Dr. Jennie Crews has been serving the oncology needs of patients in our region since 1998. She is the Medical Director of the Marion L. Shepard Cancer Center. Dr. Crews graduated from Duke University Medical Center in 1990 and completed her residency training in internal medicine at Duke in 1993. Dr. Crews is board certified in internal medicine and medical oncology and is a Fellow in the American College of Physicians. She is a member and current President of the NC Oncology Association.

H. Alexander “Sandy” Easley III, J.D., M.D. has been with Obstetrics and Gynecology of Washington since 1999. He graduated from UNC-Chapel Hill School of Medicine and received additional training at Duke University. He is board certified in Obstetrics and Gynecology and is a fellow in the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and a diplomat on the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology. Dr. Easley currently serves as the physician representative on the Beaufort Regional Health System Board of Trustees.

Dr. Daniel Richardson joined Seaboard Surgical in January of 2009. He received his medical degree from Emory University School of Medicine in Atlanta in 1990. He also completed his general surgery residency at Emory University. He is a Fellow in the American College of Surgeons.

Beaufort Regional Health System is a healthcare system that includes an acute care hospital, physician practices and other healthcare delivery organizations who work together to provide a broad range of inpatient and outpatient services. Our primary mission is to provide safe, high-quality, cost-effective, personalized primary and secondary healthcare consistent with patient needs in our service area.

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