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BloodCenter of Wisconsin Names Thomas Abshire, M.D. Head of Medical Sciences Institute

Milwaukee, WI – Thomas C. Abshire, has joined BloodCenter of Wisconsin as Senior Vice President – Medical Services and Medical Sciences Institute and Chief Medical Officer. Dr. Abshire will provide leadership for all medical programs and medical practice at BloodCenter of Wisconsin (BCW). He will also direct the newly-formed Medical Sciences Institute at BCW, bringing together education, clinical care and clinical research at the center.

“Dr. Abshire has a passion for the education and development of young physicians, for the value of clinical research in solving patient problems and for the practice of medicine,” said Jackie Fredrick, BloodCenter of Wisconsin President and CEO.

Dr. Abshire comes to BloodCenter of Wisconsin from Emory University School of Medicine and Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta where he was Director of the Comprehensive Hemostasis Program and Professor of Pediatrics. He held the Hemophilia of Georgia, Inc. Director’s Chair in Hemostasis and served as Principal Investigator for the Uniform Data Collection (UDC) of the CDC for Hemophilia Region IVS. Dr. Abshire also served for 13 years as Director of the Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Fellowship Program at Emory and Children’s.

Dr. Abshire is a distinguished graduate of the US Air Force Academy. He attended medical school at Tulane University, fulfilled his pediatric residency training at David Grant USAF Medical Center and completed pediatric hematology/oncology fellowship training at the University of Colorado Health Science Center.

During his 20+ years as a practicing pediatric hematologist/oncologist, Dr. Abshire has maintained a steady involvement with clinical trials and new product development in hemostasis and thrombosis, including laboratory evaluation of mild bleeding disorders and therapeutic intervention in hemophilia, von Willebrand disease, and thrombosis.

Dr. Abshire is past President, Hemophilia & Thrombosis Research Society (HTRS) as well as past Chair of both the ASPHO Training Committee and Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Fellowship Program Directors. He continues with an educational emphasis as member: Council of Pediatric Specialties, ASH Committee on Training and Section of Hematology/Oncology, American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP). He also serves as co-Chair of the SSC Scientific Subcommittee of the ISTH on von Willebrand Factor, is a member, Medical and Scientific Advisory Council (MASAC) of the National Hemophilia Foundation (NHF) and Chair, American Thrombosis and Hemostasis Network (ATHN).

About BloodCenter of Wisconsin

BloodCenter of Wisconsin is a private, non-profit organization widely acclaimed as one of the top transfusion medicine organizations in the world and a leader in diagnostic testing of blood, blood research and blood collection.

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