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Norman Regional Health System earns recognition from the state

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Norman Regional Health System received the 2007 Certificate of Excellence from the Oklahoma Certified Healthy Business Program. The hospital is being recognized for going above and beyond the call of duty to exemplify a healthy environment and healthy employees.

Norman Regional Health System leads the regional community in the effort to become the healthiest community in Oklahoma and the entire Southwest, said David Whitaker, Norman Regional president and chief executive officer.

He pointed out that the health system was the first business in Norman to earn the Certified Healthy Business designation from the Oklahoma Academy for State Goals and the Oklahoma Turning Point Council.

“We have established policies to create a healthy and safe environment for both the employees and visitors of the hospital. As a result, we know our employees are more productive and more satisfied,” Whitaker said. “It is imperative to not only encourage and promote wellness among our employees, but also to serve as role models as we strive to become the healthiest community in the Southwest.”

Whitaker said the onsite fitness center that is available to employees, the Heart and Sole walking program and the tobacco-free policy as examples of the health system’s commitment to a well workplace. He also said the Healthy Community program takes internal health initiatives to area residents.

To learn more about becoming a Certified Healthy Business visit the Turning Point Web site at www.OKTurningPoint.org.