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Peconic Landing to Celebrate Grand Opening of Center for Well-Being in Partnership with Stony Brook Medicine

GREENPORT, N.Y., May 2, 2022 – Peconic Landing, the East End’s only Continuing Care Retirement Community, will host a grand opening and ribbon cutting ceremony for its new Center for Well-Being in partnership with Stony Brook Medicine on Wednesday, May 18. The expansion will enhance primary care and bring new specialty services to the East End, including rheumatology, orthopaedics, and more.

"This addition is the latest in Stony Brook Medicine’s continued efforts to expand and ensure access to vital medical services and top medical experts across multiple specialties throughout the East End," said Hal Paz, MD, Executive Vice President, Health Sciences, Stony Brook University and Chief Executive Officer, Stony Brook University Medicine. "Peconic Landing members and the East End community alike can expect to receive the high level of expertise and compassionate care Stony Brook Medicine physicians are known to provide, close to home."

"The new Center for Well-Being enables us to offer a wider range of healthcare services to residents of Peconic Landing, the North Fork and Shelter Island," said Paul Connor, Chief Administrative Officer of Stony Brook Eastern Long Island Hospital. "We have served our community for nearly 120 years, so our roots are deep and our desire to care for our neighbors is strong. As part of Stony Brook Medicine, the preeminent health care provider in Suffolk County, we also connect our patients to the best that medicine has to offer today."

Peconic Landing’s previous wellness office offered three exam rooms and access to internal medicine, cardiology, and podiatry. The new expansion includes an additional 1,200 square feet and six new exam rooms. In addition to serving the members at Peconic Landing, the physicians will serve the community at large, providing the same benefit for all those on the East End who often must travel many miles west for appointments.

"We are so proud to begin this exciting new partnership with Stony Brook Medicine which will ease the burden of travel for folks of all ages on the North Fork and Shelter Island," said Robert J.

Syron, President and CEO of Peconic Landing. “Becoming New York’s first Continuing Care Retirement Community to host specialists on campus is precisely aligned with our mission to serve our community, and we thank Stony Brook Medicine for helping us bring this dream to fruition.”

The practice will initially house three physicians:

- Nathanael Desire, DO, internal medicine specialist and current Medical Director at Peconic Landing, specializes in primary care and geriatric medicine. Dr. Desire oversees individual member care in addition to the wellness center’s overall medical program and acts as the key leader in providing innovative and person-centered care options for all Peconic Landing members.
- Christopher Liedke, DO, is a rheumatologist specializing in Osteopathic Medicine. Some conditions Dr. Liedke treats include rheumatology, arthritis, systemic lupus erythematosus, Gout, Pseudogout, low back pain, Fibromyalgia osteoporosis and Lyme disease.
- John Roe, MD, Director of Orthopaedic Surgery at Stony Brook Eastern Long Island Hospital, is a fellowship-trained orthopaedic sports medicine surgeon specializing in treating all sports and activity-related injuries, both operative and nonoperative. He has extensive experience in the arthroscopic and open treatment of the knee, shoulder, hip, ankle and elbow. Dr. Roe also specializes in arthroscopic surgery of the knee, shoulder and hip including meniscus repair/debridement, complex ligament reconstruction, cartilage restoration, rotator cuff repair, shoulder instability, hip impingement and labral repair, as well as fracture care.

In addition to rheumatology and orthopaedics, Peconic Landing and Stony Brook Medicine are developing plans to bring in other specialty services, including neurology and urology. The expansion also establishes dedicated office space for Peconic Landing’s growing home health service line, which offers companionship, personal care assistance, nursing, and more to those wishing to maintain their independence at home.

“Bringing these well-respected doctors and services closer to home means that our members and friends on the East End can create more time for the things that matter most,” said Greg Garrett, Peconic Landing’s Chief Operating Officer. “These past two years have reminded us all that nothing matters more than time spent with loved ones and pursuing a healthy and fulfilled life.”

Office hours at Peconic Landing’s new Center for Well-Being begin in early June. For information on scheduling an appointment, visit www.elih.stonybrookmedicine.edu/peconic, or for more information visit: www.peconiclanding.org/well-being.

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Peconic Landing is a nationally recognized, equity-based Continuing Care Retirement Community overlooking the breathtaking Long Island Sound. Located on the North Fork of a half-mile of private Sound Beach, the organization works on a mission of being the retirement community of choice for individuals age 62 and better by encouraging our members to enjoy a vibrant lifestyle and presenting ample opportunity for members to pursue their interests and passions to the fullest. For more information on Peconic Landing, please visit www.peconiclanding.org.

Stony Brook Medicine integrates and elevates all of Stony Brook University's health-related initiatives: education, research and patient care. It includes five Health Sciences schools – Renaissance School of Medicine, School of Dental Medicine, School of Health Technology and Management, School of Nursing and School of Social Welfare – as well as Stony Brook University Hospital, Stony Brook Southampton Hospital, Stony Brook Eastern Long Island Hospital, Stony Brook Children's Hospital and more than 200 community-based healthcare settings throughout Suffolk County. To learn more, visit www.stonybrookmedicine.edu.

