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Orthopedic Surgeon Joins Hospital Staff

(GLENDALE, CA – July 8, 2009) – As an athletic kid, Dr. Loren Geller fell victim to numerous sports injuries which jumpstarted his interest in orthopedics. This, along with his on-going curiosity about bones and joints, influenced his decision to become an orthopedic surgeon. Dr. Geller is currently finishing his first year working at Verdugo Hills Hospital.

“I like the balance that VHH provides. It has a small and friendly community feel while at the same time providing quality of care comparable to a large medical center,” said Dr. Geller.

A graduate of Glendale High School, he went on to complete his undergraduate studies in 1998 at the University of Southern California. In 2002, he graduated from the USC Keck School of Medicine.

Before opening up his practice and joining the VHH team, Dr. Geller completed his residency at Canada’s McGill University Health Center in Montreal, Quebec and finished his orthopedic sports medicine fellowship training in Birmingham, Ala.

Recently, Dr. Geller gave a lecture at VHH about osteoarthritis, a problem causing decreased function and quality of life in our aging population.

“I enjoy the opportunity to help people improve their function and return to a better quality of life,” he said, when asked why he loves his job.

Dr. Geller, who resides in Glendale, specializes in orthopedic sports medicine.

About the Hospital:

Verdugo Hills Hospital is a 158-bed nonprofit primary care facility nestled in the foothills between Glendale and La Cañada Flintridge. Hospital features include Fast-Track emergency services, comprehensive inpatient and outpatient diagnostic and treatment facilities, and a family birthing center. The Hospital also offers surgical services, including bariatric and orthopedic surgeries. It is the only independent, free-

standing hospital in the greater Foothills community and was voted “Foothills’ Best Hospital” by readers of the *Glendale News-Press* for five consecutive years. For more information, please visit www.vhhospital.org. For more information about funding initiatives or to support the hospital, please call the Foundation at 818.952.2226.

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