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J.C. Blair Welcomes New General Surgeon

Huntingdon, PA (04/28/08) – J.C. Blair Memorial Hospital is pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Art G. Asrian as the hospital’s new general surgeon. “We’re thrilled to have another general surgeon to provide additional surgical services in the community and to assist longtime surgeon Dr. Schall,” said J.C. Blair President and CEO Kevin Calhoun.

Dr. Asrian has an extensive background in surgery. Originally trained in Russia, where he specialized in general and transplant surgery, he then spent four years at the University of Pittsburgh as a visiting surgeon and instructor in the liver transplant program. He began his residency training at MCP/Hahnemann University and completed it at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center in 2004. During his general surgery residency, he participated in over 1,400 surgical cases. Since completing his training, he has been practicing as a general surgeon with hospitals in West Virginia, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. He is now eager to practice permanently in Huntingdon where he can contribute and develop his skills over the long term.

“I like J.C. Blair Memorial Hospital very much. It has a high quality, professional medical staff. I’ve had the utmost support from the medical staff and hospital administration and board. So far, everyone’s been so helpful,” Dr. Asrian said.

Dr. Asrian is Board Certified as a General Surgeon by the American Board of Surgery, is a member of the American Society of Colorectal Surgery and a fellow of the American College of Surgeons. His services include general surgery procedures, breast surgeries and sentinel lymph node biopsies, gastrointestinal tract surgeries, endocrine procedures including thyroid and parathyroid surgeries, and laparoscopic abdominal surgeries.

Dr. Asrian resides in Huntingdon and welcomes new patients. His office is located in Suite 6, 900 Bryan Street, on the campus of J.C. Blair Memorial Hospital in Huntingdon. To schedule an appointment, please call (814) 643-8676.

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Caption: Dr. Art G. Asrian, General Surgeon

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