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Dr. William LeMaire returns to Mt. Edgecumbe Hospital

SITKA, July 7, 2008 — The SouthEast Alaska Regional Health Consortium (SEARHC) is pleased to announce that William LeMaire, MD, has rejoined the medical staff at the SEARHC Mt. Edgecumbe Hospital in Sitka. Dr. LeMaire is a specialist in obstetrics and gynecology.

Dr. LeMaire worked at Mt. Edgecumbe Hospital from 1993-99, and he plans to begin working part time again in Sitka. Since retiring in 1988 as the head of the Division of Reproductive Endocrinology at the University of Miami, Fla., Dr. LeMaire also worked at the Alaska Native Medical Center, and at hospitals in New Zealand, Australia, Mexico, the West Indies, Japan and Pakistan. When he isn't in Alaska or traveling, Dr. LeMaire is a clinical professor emeritus of obstetrics and gynecology at the University of Miami School of Medicine.

“We are delighted that Dr. LeMaire has decided to rejoin our medical staff on an intermittent basis,” said Dr. Marty Grasmeder, SEARHC Mt. Edgecumbe Hospital Medical Director. “He is well-known and respected within Sitka, as well as in the other communities we serve.”

Dr. LeMaire earned an undergraduate degree in the humanities from the Onze Lieve Vrouwe (OLV) College in Antwerp, Belgium. He earned his Medical Doctorate degree from the University of Louvain in Louvain, Belgium, and he earned a Doctor in Tropical Medicine degree from the Prince Leopold Institute of Tropical Medicine in Antwerp, Belgium. He completed an internship at Ellis Hospital in Schenectady, N.Y., and completed obstetrics and gynecology residencies at St. Alexis Hospital in Cleveland, Ohio, and Jackson Memorial Hospital in Miami. He completed a postgraduate fellowship with the University of Miami School of Medicine before joining the full-time faculty there. In 1979, he was a Fogarty Senior International Fellow at the University of Goteberg, Sweden. He is board certified in obstetrics and gynecology by the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology, and he also holds a certification in reproductive endocrinology. Dr. LeMaire is a Fellow of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

Dr. LeMaire has medical interests in reproductive endocrinology and cross-cultural obstetrics and gynecology. He enjoys the outdoors, camping, hiking, fishing, kayaking, swimming and traveling.

“Every time I come back to Sitka, it's like coming home,” Dr. LeMaire said. “I worked here nearly seven years and loved it. I now am officially retired, but love to keep doing locums work here and abroad.”

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