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Hoag Welcomes New Cardiac Surgeon: Asad Shah, M.D.

Widely Published Medical Author from North Carolina -- Admired for His Extraordinary Skills and Compassionate Care -- Joins the Jeffrey M. Carlton Heart & Vascular Institute

NEWPORT BEACH, Calif., September 25, 2018 --- Hoag Memorial Hospital Presbyterian announced today that <u>Asad Shah, M.D.</u>, a rising national star in cardiothoracic surgery, has joined the <u>Jeffrey M. Carlton Heart & Vascular Institute at Hoag</u>. Dr. Shah comes to Hoag from the University of North Carolina, Rex Hospital, where he served on staff as a cardiothoracic surgeon.

After earning his doctorate of medicine from Duke University School of Medicine in North Carolina, Dr. Shah completed a cardiothoracic surgery residency at Duke University Medical Center. During his time in residency, Dr. Shah also received certification in the <u>da Vinci Robotic</u> <u>Surgical System</u>.

Hoag officials said Dr. Shah -- board-certified in cardiothoracic surgery and the author of dozens of published medical research papers and book chapters about innovative and advanced cardiac surgery – impressed them with his intellectual curiosity, natural leadership skills and deep compassion for his patients.

"Dr. Shah has developed an impressive expertise in minimally invasive cardiothoracic surgery," said <u>Robert T. Braithwaite</u>, president and CEO, Hoag. "His passion for innovation and to improving patient outcomes makes him an ideal fit for Hoag."

Dr. Shah said he was excited to move from Raleigh to Newport Beach, for this was an obvious next step in his career. Most of all, he said, he is honored to work alongside Hoag's dedicated and forward-thinking cardiovascular specialists.

"Hoag is world-renowned for high-quality cardiac surgery and comprehensive interventional cardiology and its constant pursuit of improving cardiac care," he said. "I have found the team



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stimulating and inspiring, and I'm looking forward to working together to advance patient care in Orange County."

ABOUT HOAG MEMORIAL HOSPITAL PRESBYTERIAN

Hoag is an approximately \$1 billion nonprofit, regional health care delivery network in Orange County, California, that treats more than 30,000 inpatients and 425,000 outpatients annually. Hoag consists of two acute-care hospitals – Hoag Hospital Newport Beach, which opened in 1952, and Hoag Hospital Irvine, which opened in 2010 - in addition to eight health centers and 11 urgent care centers. Hoag is a designated Magnet[®] hospital by the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC). Hoag offers a comprehensive blend of health care services that includes five institutes providing specialized services in the following areas: cancer, heart and vascular, neurosciences, women's health, and orthopedics through Hoag's affiliate, Hoag Orthopedic Institute, which consists of an orthopedic hospital and two ambulatory surgical centers. In 2013, Hoag entered into an alliance with St. Joseph Health to further expand health care services in the Orange County community, known as St. Joseph Hoag Health. Hoag has been named one of the Best Regional Hospitals in the 2018 - 2019 U.S. News & World Report, and Becker's Healthcare named Hoag as one of the 2018 "100 Great Hospitals in America" - a designation Hoag has received five times. For an unprecedented 22 years, residents of Orange County have chosen Hoag as one of the county's best hospitals in a local newspaper survey. Visit www.hoag.org for more information.

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