

Dr. Linda Jackson Named Director of the Rice Regional Dental Clinic



WILLMAR, Minn. (July 14, 2010) – Rice Memorial Hospital is pleased to announce that Linda Jackson, DDS, has been named Director of the Rice Regional Dental Clinic. “Rice Hospital is fortunate to have someone of Dr. Jackson’s quality and experience heading our Dental Program,” said Chief Medical Officer Mark Matthias, MD. “We look forward to the expertise and enthusiasm she will bring to this position.”

As Director, Jackson is responsible for the operations, direction and supervision of clinic administration, patient care, and didactic teaching in community health and rural dentistry. Through a faculty appointment at the University of Minnesota, School of Dentistry, she will supervise the work of dental hygiene, dental therapy and pre-doctoral students, and coordinate rotations for students, residents and visiting faculty.

Jackson began her new position on July 6, 2010. “I am excited for the chance to work with students full-time, year round,” said Jackson. “I’ve always had a passion for teaching and dentistry, so this opportunity allows me to combine both interests.”

Jackson earned a Bachelor’s Degree in Biology at Illinois Wesleyan University in Bloomington, Ill. She earned her Doctor of Dental Surgery Degree from the University of Maryland Dental School. She completed a general practice residency at the Jesse Brown VA Medical Center in Chicago, Ill.

Her career with the Indian Health Service, The Federal Health Program for American Indians and Alaska Natives, brought her to assignments in Oklahoma, Michigan, Arizona, New Mexico, and Minnesota. Most recently, she worked at the White Earth Health Center in Ogema, Minn., as Staff Dentist and Coordinator of the Summer Student Externship Program.

While in Detroit Lakes, Jackson initiated several community-based programs that promoted dental health and provided dental preventative services, oral health education, cleanings, sealants, and fluoride.

Jackson will move from Detroit Lakes to the Willmar area in the near future. She has a son, Eddie, a junior in college, and a daughter, Rose, a high school sophomore.