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Maria T. Cartagena, MD, is Appointed Chief Medical Officer at BryLin Hospitals

(Buffalo, NY) – Maria Cartagena, MD, has been appointed as the Chief Medical Officer at BryLin Hospitals.

Dr. Maria Cartagena is a board certified psychiatrist specializing in adult psychiatry. She is the past Medical Director for Buffalo General Hospital's Department of Inpatient Behavioral Health & Psychiatry at Kaleida Health. Dr. Cartagena is also part of a private practice group at Suburban Psychiatric Associates in Amherst, New York. Dr. Cartagena trained at the University of Buffalo's Department of Psychiatry Residency, located at Erie County Medical Center. She served as medical director of the Blue Suite at Kaleida Health's Buffalo General Hospital's Inpatient Psychiatry Unit and at the Community Mental Health Center from 2000 to 2005.

"We are extremely pleased to have Dr. Cartagena as our Chief Medical Officer", said BryLin president and CEO Eric Pleskow. "Her high levels of commitment, knowledge and professionalism will allow her to oversee all clinical operations to ensure excellent patient care."

Founded in 1955, BryLin Hospitals operates an 88-bed psychiatric hospital at 1263 Delaware Ave, an outpatient substance abuse clinic and new Behavioral Health Center, providing outpatient mental health care for adults, in Williamsville. Specialized behavioral health programming is available for individuals struggling with depression, anxiety, post traumatic stress, substance abuse and other psychiatric conditions. For more information on BryLin Hospitals, visit our web site at www.brylin.com.

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