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For Immediate Release:

EIU HEALTH SERVICE HIRES ADDITIONAL PHYSICIAN

CHARLESTON -- Eastern Illinois University Health Service recently hired Dr. Sheila D. Baker who, effective Jan. 4, 1999, joined three other full-time physicians at the institution's on-campus clinic.

Baker comes to Eastern from private practice in Manteno, where she was affiliated with the Family Care Network of Provena-St. Mary's Hospital. In addition to her private practice, she also served as the primary physician at the Health Service of Olivet Nazarene University in Kankakee.

Baker received her bachelor's degree in zoology from Olivet Nazarene University and her Doctor of Medicine from Indiana University's School of Medicine. She completed a family practice residency at Ball Memorial Hospital in Muncie, Ind. She is board certified in family practice by the American Board of Family Practice, and is

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licensed in four states -- Illinois, Indiana, Missouri and Kansas. She is a member of the American Medical Association, the Illinois State Medical Society, the Kankakee County Medical Society and the American Academy of Family Physicians.

Baker has special interest in women's health care issues and also likes to travel, having recently returned from the Middle East and Israel.

"She will be a valuable addition to the Health Service staff and university community," said Dr. Joseph Wall, Health Service medical director.

Lynette Drake, Health Service director, added, "The addition of Dr. Baker addresses a need for us to provide additional availability for primary care appointments while at the same time adds to our women's health services. Her energy, enthusiasm and medical expertise truly compliment the quality of our existing primary care services."