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**Celebrating our future health care colleagues**  
**St. Elizabeth's Hospital honors RN Residents at graduation celebration**

*Belleville* - A graduation ceremony was held recently for the eight Registered Nurses who completed St. Elizabeth's Hospital's Versant RN Residency Program.

St. Elizabeth's Hospital announced this innovative and exciting program for new graduate Registered Nurses in July 2006 and it has successfully grown ever since with a new cohort starting in July 2011 that has 22 participants.

The Versant RN Residency was the first Residency of this type in the St. Louis Metropolitan area. Qualified RN retention is a major goal of hospitals in general, and St. Elizabeth's Hospital continues to be at the forefront with this progressive and unique program.

"Our residents are hired as full-time colleagues after they successfully complete the RN Residency," said Donna Meyers, RN, Director of Clinical Education and Coordinator for the RN Residency. "These new graduates join the many past residents and our other dedicated nursing staff as qualified and independent professional RNs providing region leading health care to our patients."

Learn more about St. Elizabeth's RN Residency on the Career Opportunities page on [www.steliz.org/hr/](http://www.steliz.org/hr/).

*PHOTO ATTACHED.*

*CAPTION: Graduating RN Residents include: (back row) Michelle Williams, Kristi Allison, Brittani Crowe, and Kelly Huepper along with Donna Meyers, Director of Clinical Education; (front row) Kaylee Wilson, Amy Krajicek, Kimberly Struckoff and Robin Beauman.*

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