

HealthSouth Declares Dividend on 6.5 Percent Series A Convertible Perpetual Preferred Stock

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HealthSouth Corporation announced today that its board of directors has declared a regular quarterly dividend of \$16.25 per share on its 6.5 percent Series A Convertible Perpetual Preferred Stock, payable on Jan. 15, 2009, to holders of record on Jan. 1, 2009.

About HealthSouth

HealthSouth is the nation's largest provider of inpatient rehabilitation services. Operating in 26 states across the country and in Puerto Rico, HealthSouth serves more than 250,000 patients annually through its network of inpatient rehabilitation hospitals, long-term acute care hospitals, outpatient rehabilitation satellites, and home health agencies. HealthSouth strives to be the nation's preeminent provider of inpatient rehabilitation services and can be found on the Web at www.healthsouth.com.

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