Convenient Care Association Welcomes New Board Members

Convenient Care Association Expands Its Membership to Provide Strong Representation for an Emerging Sector of the Healthcare Industry

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January 4, 2007--PHILADELPHIA--(BUSINESS WIRE)--The Convenient Care Association (CCA), the trade organization formed in October 2006 to shape the future of the Convenient Care Industry (CCI), kicked off the new year by welcoming five new Members to its Executive Board of Directors: Richard Datz, representing CareClinic, Inc.; Cynthia Graff, representing Lindora, Inc.; Linda Khachadourian, representing Sutter Express Care (a subsidiary of Sutter Health); Delmy Santiago, representing Express Clinics, Inc.; and Juliet Santos, MSN, APRN, representing Early Solutions Clinic, LLC. These five new Members will join twelve others on the CCA Executive Board of Directors.

"We are thrilled to welcome such an accomplished group of new members to the CCA. We believe that we have truly assembled a visionary team that will work to increase access to basic health care services for people throughout the country," said Tine Hansen-Turton, Executive Director of the Convenient Care Association.

The CCA also announced the creation of a new category of associate membership for companies and organizations that do not operate Convenient Care Clinics, but which are nevertheless committed to the success of this emerging industry. The CCA's newly established Corporate Advisory Board is comprised of companies that have demonstrated a special commitment to the success of the CCI. Through participation in the CCA's Corporate Advisory Board, these companies will share insight and best practices, and work together with CCA members to advance the Convenient Care model. The founding members of the Convenient Care Association's Corporate Advisory Board are: Adams Respiratory Therapeutics; Novartis Consumer Health; and Quidel Corporation.

In communities throughout the country, CCA Members are working to increase access to basic health care services. Convenient Care Clinics are open seven days a week, with no appointments necessary. In Convenient Care Clinics, certified nurse practitioners, physician assistants, and/or physicians provide high-quality care for common episodic illnesses at affordable prices. CCA Members currently operate over 100 Convenient Care Clinics in high–traffic retail locations in more than 20 states throughout the country, and this number is predicted to increase significantly within the next year.

About the Convenient Care Association

Families need better access to basic care, sick patients need shorter wait times, and everyone needs relief from rising costs. Responding to these issues, the Convenient Care Industry launched its new trade organization in October 2006. In the coming months, the Convenient Care Association will focus its attention on the development of industry-wide clinical guidelines. The CCA has begun to assemble a group of health care leaders who will work throughout the year to create and establish uniform, national, high-quality and consumer-driven patient care performance standards.

CCA Executive Board members include: Don Parker, AtlantiCare Health Services; Kimberly Hodgkinson, Aurora QuickCare; Richard Datz, CareClinic, Inc.; Dean Q. Lin, CareWorks Convenient Healthcare (a subsidiary of Geisinger Health System); Neal F. Krouse, M.D., CheckUps; Juliet Santos, MSN, APRN, Early Solutions Clinic, LLC; Delmy Santiago, Express Clinics, Inc.; Steven W. Cooley, M.D., HealthStop, Inc.; Cynthia Graff, Lindora, Inc.; Brian Jones, MedBasics; Michael J. O'Neil, *MEDPOINTexpress* (a subsidiary of Memorial Hospital and Health System); Maurice Stone, My Healthy Access; Ronald Bucci, QuickClinic LLC; Dave Mandelkern, QuickHealth; Web Golinkin, RediClinic; Linda Khachadourian, Sutter Express Care (a subsidiary of Sutter Health); and Hal Rosenbluth, Take Care Health Systems.

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