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Indiana Health Care Association (IHCA) Elects New Board of Directors

INDIANAPOLIS – The Indiana Health Care Association (IHCA), the State’s largest trade association and advocate representing proprietary, not-for-profit and hospital-based nursing home and assisted living communities, today announced the results of its recent Board of Directors’ elections during the 2009 Indiana Long Term Care Convention and Expo.

Under the Association’s newly restructured bylaws, the eleven member IHCA Board of Directors is now exclusively comprised of senior leaders of leading long term care organizations. New board members include: Randall Bufford, CEO of Trilogy Health Services, LLC, Tony Link, Regional VP of Life Care Centers of America, Dr. Stephen Moore, CEO of Cardon and Associates, and Julianne Williams, Division President of Golden Living.

In addition to those newly elected this week, the following IHCA board officers will continue to serve: Chairman Michael Forgey, SVP of Millers Health Systems, Vice Chairman Doug Shuck, VP of Operations for Covenant Care, Secretary/Treasurer James Burkhart, President of American Senior Communities, and Past Chairman Patrick Hall of Highland Manor. Paul Ezekiel “Zeke” Turner, President of Mainstreet Property Group LLC, Lee Marchant, President of LJM Enterprises, and Shawn Cates, Regional Director of Operations for Extencicare were also re-elected to another term as IHCA board members.

“IHCA is honored to have this distinguished group of providers serve as the Board of Directors,” said IHCA President Stephen Smith, who will also serve as an ex-officio member of the board. “Under their direction, IHCA will continue to work collaboratively with all providers of post-acute care to strengthen efforts focused on improving the quality of care for Indiana’s geriatric and developmentally disabled Hoosiers.”

About the Indiana Health Care Association (IHCA)

The Indiana Health Care Association is Indiana's largest trade association and advocate representing proprietary, not-for-profit and hospital-based nursing home and assisted living communities, adult foster care and adult day services. IHCA's 261 member facilities care for more than 30,000 of Indiana's geriatric and developmentally disabled citizens, the majority of whom are low-income Medicaid recipients.

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