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Statewide Family Physician Foundation Announces St. Rita's Medical Center's 2011 Corporate Membership

(COLUMBUS, Ohio) – The Ohio Academy of Family Physicians Foundation (OAFP/F) announces St. Rita's Medical Center as a 2011 Corporate Member.

Corporate membership contributed to OAFP/F by St. Rita's Medical Center demonstrates its involvement, interest and commitment to the OAFP/F mission to improve and increase access to quality health care for all Ohioans by generating student interest in the specialty of family medicine.

St. Rita's Medical Center in Lima is a not-for-profit, acute care, 425-bed medical center serving 11 counties in Northwestern Ohio. St. Rita's is part of Catholic Healthcare Partners in Cincinnati, one of the largest not-for-profit health systems in the United States. St. Rita's also owns and operates three urgent care centers, a medical clinic for the poor and underserved, a regional cancer center, an ambulatory care center, Life Flight and Mobile Life 12, and Lima/Allen County Paramedics.

Generous support from St. Rita's Medical Center and other OAFP/F corporate partners increases the Foundation's capacity to offer programs that not only encourage medical students to choose a career in family medicine, but provide immediate benefit to Ohio's medical students, their future patients and the communities they serve – creating a healthier Ohio for all citizens today and for years to come.

The mission of the Ohio Academy of Family Physicians Foundation, as the philanthropic arm of the Ohio Academy of Family Physicians, is to improve and increase access to quality health care for all Ohioans by generating student interest in the family medicine specialty.

Ohio Academy of Family Physicians is a statewide, professional association with more than 4,000 members, including practicing physicians, family medicine residents and medical students. The scope of family medicine encompasses all ages, both sexes and every disease entity. Family physicians provide comprehensive, continuing care to all members of the family. For more information, visit www.ohioafp.org.