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High distinction for midstate medical group “Patient-Centered Medical Home” status for Lemoyne-based organization

(HARRISBURG, PA.) Proving that patients come first in Pennsylvania, Lemoyne-based **Heritage Medical Group is Pennsylvania's newest Patient-Centered Medical Home**, recognized by the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care (AAAHC). Thanks to support from the Pennsylvania Academy of Family Physicians (PAFP) and its staff, Heritage Medical Group has received the highest level of recognition: a three-year term. **The “Patient-Centered Medical Home,” or PCMH, is a new delivery care model** centered on an ongoing partnership between each patient and his or her physician – a physician who coordinates personalized care with a team.

According to a recent survey of primary care and multispecialty practices nationwide by the Medical Group Management Association (MGMA), nearly 70 percent of physicians are already in the process of transforming or interested in becoming a PCMH, while more than 20 percent were accredited or recognized as a PCMH by a national organization. **Heritage Medical Group is only the third organization to receive AAAHC recognition as a Patient-Centered Medical Home in the United States.** For more information on the Patient-Centered Medical Home and how Pennsylvania’s family physicians, the PAFP, and Heritage Medical Group are at the forefront of health care innovation, please contact the Pennsylvania Academy of Family Physicians via the above information.

The Pennsylvania Academy of Family Physicians and its Foundation supports its members (including nearly 80 percent of Pennsylvania family physicians) through advocacy and education to ensure a patient-centered medical home for every Pennsylvanian. The Academy and its Foundation are the leading influential resource among family physicians and physicians in training in Pennsylvania; the primary voice on health care issues with state legislative and administrative branches of government, media and professional health organizations; and the leader on health care issues in the community.

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