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PAFP program selected for CDC evaluation **Residency Program Collaborative to undergo 30-month appraisal**

(HARRISBURG, PA.) The Pennsylvania Academy of Family Physicians (PAFP) is proud to announce one of its programs has been selected by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for a 30-month intensive evaluation. The Residency Program Collaborative, part of the PAFP's Improving Performance in Practice initiative, teaches residency programs how making even small changes in practices can drastically improve patient health. **The RPC is the only physician program selected in the most recent round of evaluations conducted by the CDC's Division for Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention (DHDSP).**

The Residency Program Collaborative is helping 49 family medicine and internal medicine residency programs and 15 community health centers track more than 15,000 patients with diabetes and nearly 3,000 patients with heart disease and stroke risk factors. The CDC evaluation will assess the effect of the collaborative on patient hypertension levels. The evaluation will determine what impact the collaborative has, and whether adjustments to the program can strengthen the impact. Findings from this evaluation will inform recommendations for replicating elements of the program in other settings.

For a complete list of participating practices, please contact the PAFP 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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