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Midwest Physicians Welcomes Three Cardiologists and Establishes Practice

Midwest Heart Associates offers comprehensive services from established, board-certified specialists.

Kansas City, MO (March 8, 2010) – Midwest Physicians, part of HCA Midwest Health System, has announced that cardiologists James R. Eynon, MD, FACC, Willie E. Lawrence, Jr., MD, FACC, FACP, and Christine Rattin, DO, have joined Midwest Physicians. Dr. Rattin has also joined the other two physicians on the medical staff of Research Medical Center. The physicians deliver complete cardiology care at the Midwest Heart Associates practice, conveniently located on the campus of Research Medical Center.

The practice provides services to HCA Midwest Health System hospitals Cass Regional Medical Center, Lee's Summit Medical Center and Research Belton Hospital, in addition to Research Medical Center.

Dr. Eynon, with more than 30 years of experience, is board certified in internal medicine and is a fellow of the American College of Cardiology. He is a member of the American Medical Association, the Jackson County Medical Society and the American Heart Association. Dr. Eynon has a strong academic background in addition to his patient care expertise and has served as an instructor and assistant professor of medicine. He is a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, and completed an internal medicine residency and a cardiology fellowship at the University of Pittsburgh Health Center Hospitals.

Dr. Lawrence is board certified in internal medicine with subspecialties in cardiovascular disease, interventional cardiology and nuclear cardiology. He has nearly 20 years of patient care experience and serves as the chief of the Division of Cardiology at Research Medical Center and the director for Midwest Heart Associates. Dr. Lawrence is the founder and director of Research Medical Center's Congestive Heart Failure program and the director of the hospital's cardiac rehabilitation program. He is affiliated with the American Heart Association, the Association of Black Cardiologists and is a member of the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Kansas City corporate credentialing committee. Dr. Lawrence received his medical degree from Harvard University, completed a residency at the Brigham and Women's Hospital, a teaching affiliate of Harvard, and completed a cardiology and an interventional fellowship at the Johns Hopkins Hospital.

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Dr. Rattin, board certified in internal medicine and cardiology, has more than 20 years of health care experience. She has, during her career, served as an emergency physician as well as in internal medicine and cardiology. Dr. Rattin received a degree in and practiced as a nurse prior to earning her medical degree. She is a fellow of the American College of Osteopathic Internists and a member of the American College of Cardiology, American College of Physicians, American Society of Echocardiography, American Society of Nuclear Cardiology and the American Osteopathic Association. She received her medical degree from the University of Health Sciences – College of Osteopathic Medicine in Kansas City and completed her residency at Michigan State University – Blodgett Memorial Medical Center, Saint Mary’s Hospital. Dr. Rattin completed a fellowship at Mount Clemens General Hospital.

The physicians of Midwest Heart Associates deliver comprehensive cardiology diagnostics and treatment to adult patients. The practice accepts all major insurance plans and is now accepting new patients. Information is available by calling 816-276-6405 or visiting MyMidwestPhysician.com.

About Midwest Physicians

Midwest Physicians, part of HCA Midwest Health System, consists of practices located throughout the Greater Kansas City metropolitan area and is staffed with experienced, multi-specialty physicians. Currently Midwest Physicians represents 216 physicians, including 101 primary care providers and 115 specialists. There are 56 physician practices providing care in 69 locations to serve the community.