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REACH FOUNDATION SEEKS CANDIDATES FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MERRIAM, KANSAS – The REACH Healthcare Foundation is seeking applications from community members with an interest in health care to fill three positions on the Foundation's Board of Directors. The REACH Foundation's primary focus is on improving health services for low-income and uninsured populations. The deadline to apply is December 31, 2010.

The REACH Foundation is a charitable organization established in 2003 with proceeds from the sale of Health Midwest to Hospital Corporation of America. REACH provides funding and other resources to organizations in a six-county area encompassing Allen, Johnson and Wyandotte counties in Kansas; Cass, Jackson and Lafayette counties in Missouri, and Kansas City, Missouri. Since 2005, the Foundation has awarded \$25 million for grants and initiatives to strengthen health services in this region.

Board members are responsible for determining and upholding the mission and vision of the Foundation, managing the Foundation's financial resources, and assuring the organization's legal and financial accountability. The Foundation is interested in Board candidates who reflect the geographic, ethnic, gender, age, socioeconomic and professional diversity of the Foundation's service area. Individuals who hold an elected office with federal, state or governmental entities are not eligible for consideration.

Individuals interested in applying for the Board must complete the online Statement of Interest form and submit a resume by December 31, 2010. The interest form and other information is available at <u>www.reachhealth.org</u> under the heading "About Us."

The Board selection process will be completed in March 2011 and new Board members will begin their terms in June 2011.

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