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Hill Physicians Completes Transfer of Former PIMG Physicians and Members

SAN RAMON, CA (August 9, 2010) – Hill Physicians Medical Group has completed the transfer of members and physicians from Physicians Integrated Medical Group (PIMG), an independent practice association that announced plans earlier this year to wind down operations.

The transition added more than 10,000 commercial HMO and healthy family members and more than 120 doctors to Hill Physicians in San Francisco.

“We’ve experienced outstanding collaboration among all the parties, enabling a smooth transition for our new members and our expanded physician network,” said Steve McDermott, CEO of Hill Physicians.

The coordinated transition between PIMG and Hill Physicians included adding new agreements with Seton Medical Center and St. Luke’s Hospital for patient care services and with San Francisco Health Plan to serve Medi-Cal, Healthy Families and Healthy Kids enrollees. Those agreements were reached during spring and summer, enabling members and doctors to begin transitioning in July. In most cases, former members of PIMG were able to remain with their primary care physician.

Although PIMG’s doctors and members have departed, the organization itself continues to operate as part of an orderly wind down process that is expected to last through the end of the year. The Brisbane-based group continues to pay its doctors for services rendered prior to the transition and to wrap up the last of its operational agreements.

PIMG patients joining Hill Physicians will find more resources devoted to preventive care, self-help, health and wellness education, online medical information, disease management and case management. Many of the new practices already are adding Hill Physicians enhanced services, such as secure online communications to request appointments, prescription refills and to view lab results. “We look forward to helping our new members and physicians take advantage of the expanded resources that are now available to them,” said Jennifer Willson, regional director for Hill Physicians’ Bay Region.

About Hill Physicians Medical Group

Hill Physicians Medical Group is the largest independent physician association in Northern California and a recognized leader in innovative health care. The Standards of Excellence Program of the California Association of Physician Groups recognizes Hill Physicians as a state-wide leader in patient-centered care, care management practices, health information technology, accountability and transparency. Committed to serving healthy lifestyles, Hill Physicians Medical Group offers extensive health education services to its patients, including wellness classes, health screenings, and self-help through its online information portal at www.HillPhysicians.com.