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ELLIOT PHYSICIAN NETWORK IS RANKED TOP 10% NATIONALLY

Manchester, NH—Elliot Physician Network, Inc. has been awarded Harvard Pilgrim Health Care's 2009 "Physician Group Honor Roll" in recognition of outstanding commitment of high quality care. Out of all the physician groups located in New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and Maine, only 74 were chosen to receive this award, and the Elliot Physician Network was at the top of the list.

"This wasn't an award that we just applied for, sent in and hoped to receive," stated Amy Dobson, Director of Elliot Physician Network. "The seventy four physicians groups were chosen based on clinical performance measured against national standards." Elliot Physician Network's performance was identified in the top 10% nation wide.

"The development of a culture of quality can be found though out many areas of our health care system, from small physician group settings up to our largest, most prestigious hospital facilities," Said Roberta Herman, M.D., COO & CMO of Harvard Pilgrim. Elliot is home to Manchester's designated Regional Trauma Center, a Level 3 Newborn Intensive Care Unit, Elliot Physician Network, Elliot Regional Cancer Center, the Elliot Senior Health Center, Visiting Nurse Association of Manchester and Southern New Hampshire and Elliot 1-Day Surgery Center. "Harvard Pilgrim is delighted to have the opportunity to recognize the pursuit of high quality care throughout a diverse section of our network providers," added Herman.

Along with Elliot Physician Network, the "Harvard Pilgrim Honor Roll" was awarded to other physician groups including *Mass General, Brigham and Women's, Harvard Vanguard Medical Associates and Lahey Clinic*, to name a few.

"This is an honor which demonstrates our commitment to excellence and our work on improving the quality of care we provide to our patients," said Dobson.

Elliot Health System is the largest provider of comprehensive healthcare services in Southern New Hampshire, the cornerstone of which is Elliot Hospital, a 296-bed acute care facility and the first community hospital in the state. Elliot is home to Manchester's designated Regional Trauma Center, a Level 3 Newborn Intensive Care Unit, Elliot Physician Network, Elliot Regional Cancer Center, the Elliot Senior Health Center, Visiting Nurse Association of Manchester and Southern New Hampshire and Elliot 1-Day Surgery Center. For more information on any of Elliot's services, call ELLIOT ON-CALL at 663-4567.

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