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FLORIDA INSTITUTE OF RESEARCH, MEDICINE & SURGERY
HOSTS CASINO NIGHT/SILENT AUCTION

ORLANDO, FL, June 3, 2009 –Florida Institute of Research, Medicine & Surgery-Cancer Center will host a Casino Night/Silent Auction on Saturday, August 15, 2009 from 7:00 PM until midnight at the Rosen Centre Hotel. All proceeds from the event will benefit the newly formed Florida Institute Cancer Foundation which was created to provide emergency financial assistance to cancer patients currently undergoing treatment.

“Statistics show that 1 in 4 cancer patients or their families said they used all or most of their savings to pay for treatment, and 1 in 8 people with advanced cancer turned down recommended care because of the cost. Now more than ever, we are seeing the need for additional financial support for patients”, said Kenneth Simon, D.O., Medical Oncologist/Hematologist and Vice President of Florida Institute Cancer Foundation. Florida Institute of Research, Medicine & Surgery-Cancer Center is a comprehensive oncology and hematology practice with dedicated and caring physicians who treat patients at multiple locations throughout Central Florida. As a member of the US Oncology network, Florida Institute of Research, Medicine & Surgery-Cancer Center is United in Healing with nearly 1,200 oncology physicians who share and create best-in-class clinical and operational processes that help improve the quality, safety and cost effectiveness of cancer care delivered to patients throughout the United States.

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The physicians of Florida Institute of Research, Medicine & Surgery-Cancer Center have been providing cancer care to the Central Florida region since 1994. Their main focus is the evaluation and treatment of most oncological and hematological disorders, with a main focus in clinical research and advancement of the field of oncology.

Florida Institute of Research, Medicine & Surgery-Cancer Center is located in five practice locations: 52 W. Gore Street, Orlando, 70 W. Gore Street, Orlando, 1561 West Fairbanks Avenue, Winter Park, 111 Blackwood Avenue, Ocoee, and 1804 Oakley Seaver Drive, Clermont, FL.

Florida Institute Cancer Foundation is proud to accept gifts from corporations, foundations and individuals. If you would like to be a founding donor, or would simply like more information on the foundation or the upcoming event, contact Lynn Hogue at 407-770-6319.

About Florida Institute of Research, Medicine & Surgery-Cancer Center

Florida Institute of Research, Medicine & Surgery-Cancer Center is united in healing with US Oncology, Inc. Together, they support the nation's foremost cancer treatment and research network accelerating the availability and use of evidence-based medicine and shared best practices. With more than 1,227 physicians at 468 locations, including 95 radiation oncology facilities throughout 39 states, the US Oncology network and Florida Institute of Research, Medicine & Surgery-Cancer Center provide cancer patients with access to the latest advancements in therapies, clinical research and technology, as well as best-in-class clinical and operational processes that help to advance the quality, safety and cost effectiveness of cancer care. For more information, visit www.unitedinhealing.com, www.flainstitute.com ,or www.usoncology.com.

About US Oncology

US Oncology, Inc., headquartered in the Houston area, works closely with physicians, payers, manufacturers and legislators to identify and deliver innovative services that enhance patient access to advanced cancer care. US Oncology supports one of the nation's foremost cancer treatment and research networks, accelerating the availability and use of evidence-based medicine and shared best practices.

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