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Sleep HealthCenters and Southcoast Hospitals Group Expand Patient Services in North Dartmouth

North Dartmouth, MA—September 10, 2009—The Sleep HealthCenter affiliated with the Southcoast Hospitals Group is now offering all sleep medicine services at one location. By expanding the number of beds and clinic services at the 84 Faunce Corner Road location in North Dartmouth, MA, patients now have more convenient access to complete care for their sleep disorders.

While at Sleep HealthCenters, patients are provided with comprehensive diagnostic and treatment services, including sleep studies, physician consults, special equipment for OSA patients, such as CPAP (Continuous Positive Airway Pressure) devices, patient monitoring, patient education, and follow-up care in a single location. It is estimated that insomnia, obstructive sleep apnea (OSA), narcolepsy, excessive daytime sleepiness, and restless legs syndrome plague an estimated 40 million Americans.

"Southcoast's partnership with Sleep HealthCenters continues to offer patients of the South Coast region the latest in sleep health technology, diagnosis, and treatment," said Dr. Bruce Abbott, Neurologist for Southcoast Hospitals Group. "Combining the North Dartmouth sleep lab and the clinic will better enable our physicians to provide the full range of services necessary for the increased demand in our area."

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NY – Manhattan; RI – Cumberland*

Dr. Lawrence Epstein, the author of “The Harvard Medical School Guide to a Good Night’s Sleep” is the Medical Director for the North Dartmouth facility which opened in 2006. Board certified in Critical Care Medicine, Internal Medicine, Pulmonary Disease, and Sleep Medicine, Dr. Epstein is a past president of the AASM (American Academy of Sleep Medicine) and is currently an instructor in Medicine at Harvard Medical School. Sleep HealthCenters is accredited by the American Academy of Sleep Medicine and staffed by board-certified sleep medicine specialists.

Sleep HealthCenters is a network of sleep medicine specialty centers and the largest provider of such services in Massachusetts. Sleep HealthCenters is also affiliated with the following Massachusetts healthcare entities: Brigham and Women’s Hospital, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Faulkner Hospital, Hallmark Health, Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, Marlborough Hospital, McLean Hospital, New England Sinai Hospital, and also with New York’s Beth Israel Medical Center.

To inquire about services at the Sleep HealthCenter affiliated with Southcoast Hospitals Group, call 877-SLEEPHC (877-753-3742). More information is available at Sleep HealthCenters’ website at www.sleephealth.com or Southcoast Hospitals’ website at www.southcoast.org/sleep/.