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Illinois Children's Healthcare Foundation Announces its 2011 Board Officers and Appointment of New Members

Oak Brook, IL (Thursday, April 14, 2011) - Illinois Children's Healthcare Foundation (ILCHF) is governed by a 19 member Board of Directors. ILCHF is pleased to announce its 2011 Board Officers and the appointment of three members to its Board of Directors:

2011 Board Officers

Chairman of the Board - Charles E. Box. Mr. Box is the former Chair, Illinois Commerce Commission and retired Mayor, Rockford, Illinois. Mr. Box has been an ILCHF Board Member since 2003.

Vice-Chairman of the Board - Terry F. Hatch, MD. Dr. Hatch is the Head of the Division of Pediatric Gastroenterology and Professor of Pediatrics at Southern Illinois University, School of Medicine. Dr. Hatch has been an ILCHF Board Member since 2010.

Board Treasurer - Christine H. Rosso. Ms. Rosso is the former Chief of Charitable Trusts and Solicitation Bureau at the Illinois Attorney General's Office. Ms. Rosso has been an ILCHF Board Member since 2008.

Board Secretary - Louise E. Coleman, EdD. Dr. Coleman is the Retired Superintendent of Schools, Joliet Public Schools District 86. Dr. Coleman has been an ILCHF Board Member since 2003.

Members joining the Board in 2011

Rex P. Budde. Mr. Budde is president and CEO of Southern Illinois Healthcare, a multi-hospital system in southern Illinois. He currently serves on the Illinois Hospital Association's Policy Council and Healthcare Reform Task force.

John L. Novak. Mr. Novak served as the Treasurer of DuPage County for over 28 years. He is a past President of the Illinois County Treasurer's Association and Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF) Board of Trustees. Mr. Novak is currently an active equity options trader, managing three small partnerships.

James L. Schroeder, MD. Dr. Schroeder is the Senior Associate Dean for External Affairs of the Feinberg School of Medicine of Northwestern University. Prior to this appointment, Dr. Schroeder was the President and CEO of Northwestern Medical Faculty Foundation. Dr. Schroeder maintains an active clinical practice in rheumatology focusing on inflammatory arthritis and autoimmune diseases.

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About Illinois Children's Healthcare Foundation

Illinois Children's Healthcare Foundation (ILCHF) is the only statewide private foundation focused on improving the health of all children in the State of Illinois. ILCHF was created in December 2002 through an action between the State of Illinois Attorney General's Office and a private insurance carrier. This action established the Foundation which was funded with an investment of approximately \$125 million.

In 2007, ILCHF announced its first major initiative in the area of oral health. More than \$20 million is committed over five years on efforts related to building the capacity of the safety net system, workforce development and public education and awareness. In September, 2009, ILCHF announced its second major initiative, the Children's Mental Health Initiative, *Building Systems of Care, Community by Community*.

From the Foundation's inception through 2010, a total of more than \$42 million in grants has been invested in over 265 programs. For additional information about ILCHF, please see www.ilchf.org.

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