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CAPG Announces 2005 Board Officers & Executive Committee

Los Angeles, CA, January xx, 2005 . . . The California Association of Physician Groups (CAPG) – the largest physician association of its kind in the state – today announced its board officers and executive committee for 2005. The new board officers are Gloria Austin, CEO of Brown & Toland Medical Group based in San Francisco as chair and Bart Wald, M.D, president and CEO of Physician Associates of San Gabriel Valley based in Pasadena as chair elect.

In addition to Ms. Austin and Dr. Wald, the members of the 2005 executive committee includes Donald Crane, CEO and president of CAPG; Matthew Mazdyasni, chief financial officer of HealthCare Partners Medical Group; Sharon Levine, M.D., associate executive director of Permanente-North; Bart Asner, M.D., CEO of Monarch Healthcare; Donald Balfour, M.D., chief medical officer of Sharp Rees-Stealy Medical Group; Jennifer Jackman, CEO of Bright Medical Associates; David Druker, M.D., president and CEO of Palo Alto Medical Foundation; and Keith Wilson, M.D., president and CEO of Talbert Medical Group.

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The CAPG board is responsible for monitoring the needs of the organization's membership, particularly in light of changes and demands in the healthcare marketplace. Part of their accountabilities also include enhancing the delivery of coordinated healthcare, working with health plans to improve benefit designs and healthcare delivery, and identifying and developing strategies to help strengthen their medical group practices.

CAPG is a professional association comprised of nearly 150 of California's leading physician groups. These groups employ and/or contract with physicians who in turn provide healthcare services to approximately 13 million Californians. This translates to more than fifty percent of California's healthcare being delivered by physicians employed by or contracted with CAPG members.

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