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## **DELRAY MEDICAL CENTER CELEBRATES THIRD QUARTER DAISY AWARD NOMINEES AND WINNER**

*DAISY award recognizes extraordinary nurses*

**DELRAY BEACH, Fla. (December 2011)**- To recognize nurses that provide extraordinary nursing care, Delray Medical Center announced its third quarter DAISY Award finalists and winner. Five nurses were selected as nominees of whom one winner was chosen.

The third quarter Daisy Award winner is Doris Gloss of the IMCU/HH. The other third quarter nominees include: William Heris, PCU; Yami Cleter, CCU; Ebonee Blackwood, CCU; and Rhonda Garland, Med/Telemetry.

All of these nurses were recognized for their education, training, skill, judgment and compassionate care, which truly make a difference in the lives of so many people.

For the DAISY Award, numerous hospitals and medical facilities around the country select award recipients each quarter. Recipients are chosen by their nurse administrators, peers, physicians and patients. As of July, 2009, over 4,500 nurses have received the DAISY Award.

Since it takes a team to provide great patient care, physicians, nurses, and staff at Delray Medical Center were treated to Cinnabon® cinnamon rolls during the DAISY Award presentation. Delray Medical Center also received a banner to hang in the hospital to celebrate The DAISY Award honors and the nursing profession.

“Delray Medical Center is proud to celebrate our DAISY Award finalists and winner, Eileen Winn,” said Delray Medical Center chief executive officer, Mark Bryan. “We always strive to recognize our nurses who take pride in the nursing profession and work very hard to provide quality care to our patients.”

The DAISY award is sponsored by Cinnabon's franchisees and parent company, FOCUS Brands as the Premier Sponsor. It is co-sponsored in several hospitals by families and companies, including the Angels Baseball Foundation; Hill-Rom; Johnson & Johnson's

Campaign For Nursing's Future; NovaVine; Sam's Club; UnitedHealthcare; U.S. Airways; Wells Fargo; and Wellington Vineyards.

**About Delray Medical Center**

For more than 25 years, Delray Medical Center, a 493-bed acute care hospital, has served the communities of South Palm Beach County. As both a community hospital and Provisional Level I Trauma Center located on a 42-acre medical plaza, Delray Medical Center has the ability to offer several specialized services including cardiac care, orthopedics, rehabilitation, neurosciences, emergency care and more.

For the past four years, Delray Medical Center has been named one of America's 50 Best Hospitals (HealthGrades), as well as a Primary Stroke Center (Joint Commission), a Blue Distinction Center for Spine Surgery and for Knee and Hip Replacement (Blue Cross and Blue Shield) and has also received the Get With The Guidelines award for coronary artery disease, stroke and heart failure (American Heart Association). Delray Medical Center is one of only 269 hospitals ranked in the top 5% in the nation for patient outcomes according to a new study by HealthGrades, the leading independent healthcare ratings organization, achieving the HealthGrades Distinguished Hospital for Clinical Excellence Award™. The hospital is one of just 13 hospitals in South Florida, and just one of five in Palm Beach County that received the recognition for its clinical performance. The hospital is actively involved in community outreach, sponsoring several events, community lectures and fundraisers. Delray Medical Center is also a smoke free campus.

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