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Mid Atlantic Spine and Pain Physicians to Help Organize First Annual Pain Medicine Symposium with Temple University Hospital

NEWARK, DE – (March 30, 2009) – Mid Atlantic Spine and Pain Physicians (MASPP), the most comprehensive pain practice in the U.S diagnosing and treating spine and pain related disorders, is heavily involved in organizing the First Annual Pain Medicine Symposium with Temple University Hospital. Hosted by Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation Department at Temple and supported by an educational grant from St. Jude Medical, the event will be 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Friday, May 1st at the Philadelphia Marriott Downtown. Pain Medicine Physician and PGY-3 and PGY-4 residents who treat patients with back pain are encouraged to attend. “Low Back Pain” will be discussed topic.

Low back pain is the second most common reason that we seek medical care. Approximately 90% of the population will suffer a significant episode of low back pain in their life time, typically due to an injury of the soft tissue structures, spinal joints, or discs. Low back pain is a significant problem being the leading cause for disability for those under 45 years of age and second for those over 45 years of age.

The one-day symposium will provide physicians the opportunity to learn more about the appropriate diagnostic and therapeutic interventions for low back pain. Distinguished pain physicians from Temple, MASSP and other recognized pain practices will present a wide range of topics on low back pain, including “Pain Physiology and Pathophysiology,” “Minimally-Invasive Interventions,” “Intrathecal Pump and Spinal Cord Implantations,” “Physical Therapy/Alternative Care,” and others.

Registration for symposiums is free. Parking and hotel accommodations are not included. To register, visit www.temple.edu/cme or call 800-23-TUCME. Temple University School of Medicine designates this activity for a maximum of 7 *AMA Physician’s Recognition Award Category 1 Credit(s)*[™]. Physicians only claim credit to commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

About the Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation

The Department of PM&R is designated as an academic department of Temple University School of Medicine and a clinical unit of Temple University Hospital. It is a major education center for medical students, residents, fellows, and students with the medical staff active in presenting scholarly reports to regional and national meetings, publishing, and pursuing a variety of research projects. The department has an active inpatient consultation service, extensive resources for outpatients, and facilities for electrodiagnostic testing and injection procedures in addition to 22 DRG-exempt acute level rehabilitation beds at Temple University and Jeanes Hospitals.

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About St. Jude Medical

St. Jude Medical develops medical technology and services that focus on putting more control into the hands of those who treat cardiac, neurological and chronic pain patients worldwide. The company is dedicated to advancing the practice of medicine by reducing risk wherever possible and contributing to successful outcomes for every patient. Headquartered in St. Paul, Minn., St. Jude Medical employs approximately 14,000 people worldwide and has five major focus areas that include: cardiac rhythm management, atrial fibrillation, cardiac surgery, cardiology and neuromodulation. For more information, please visit www.poweroveryourpain.com.

About Mid Atlantic Spine and Pain Physicians

Mid Atlantic Spine and Pain Physicians (MASPP) is the most comprehensive pain practice in the U.S diagnosing and treating spine and pain related disorders. With locations in Delaware and Maryland, this preeminent pain practice is staffed with a team of top-rated, board certified physiatrists, chiropractors, and licensed practitioners providing individualized treatment for patients in a very compassionate and caring setting. The group provides an array of patient care right onsite, including two modern clinics, outpatient surgery center, diagnostic imaging, chiropractic care, physical therapy, a sleep lab, among other services. For more information, visit www.midatlanticspine.com.

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