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MEDIA ADVISORY

Governor Doyle to Address National Health Care Conference in Washington, D.C.

Governor Jim Doyle will address the AcademyHealth National Health Care Policy Conference tomorrow, Monday, February 8, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. EST at the JW Marriott Hotel in Washington, D.C. Governor Doyle has worked hard to make Wisconsin a leading state in making health care affordable and accessible to all its residents.

Four years ago, Governor Doyle set forth a bold agenda to provide health care access to 98 percent of Wisconsin citizens, and even in tough economic times, he has led innovative reforms to reach this goal. Under the Governor's leadership, Wisconsin has made health care accessible through step-by-step, long-term strategies.

Through BadgerCare Plus, Governor Doyle has covered all Wisconsin kids. He has also made available basic coverage to thousands of hardworking, low-income adults without children through the BadgerCare Plus Core program, which had to be capped last year to stay within its budget. The Governor is now moving forward with his BadgerCare Basic plan to provide basic, entirely self-funded health coverage to low-income adults on the Core waiting list, many of whom have lost their jobs and their health insurance in the national economic downturn.

Governor Doyle's leadership has emphasized making high-quality, basic, preventative health care accessible to a wide-reaching group of people. Today, Wisconsin is ranked 1st in the nation in health care quality and 2nd in health insurance coverage. At the national conference, Governor Doyle will share Wisconsin's health care story, and discuss the next steps forward.

**WHERE: JW Marriott Hotel
Grand Ballroom
1331 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20004**

**WHEN: Monday, February 8, 2010
1:00 p.m. EST**

Registration is complimentary with valid media credentials. To register, email elyse.phelps@academyhealth.org or register onsite beginning Monday at 8:00 a.m.

For more information on the conference, please visit: www.academyhealth.org/nhpc