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### **Dr. Aileen McCarthy, Cotton-O'Neil Clinic, Honored With Laureate Award**

(Topeka, Kan., Oct. 7, 2010) – Aileen McCarthy, M.D., FACP, was honored with the 2010 Laureate Award by the American College of Physicians, Kansas Chapter. The award is given to a senior physician and long-standing Fellow or Master of the College, with acknowledged excellence and peer approval in the field of internal medicine.

Dr. McCarthy has practiced internal medicine at the Cotton-O'Neil Clinic since 1987. She began practicing in Topeka following the completion of her residency (Chief Resident 1986-1987) at the University of Kansas School of Medicine. She is board certified in internal medicine and palliative medicine.

Dr. McCarthy has received a variety of honors and awards. She was the second woman selected to be Chief Resident in Internal Medicine, serving along with her husband, Brad Marples, M.D., in 1986. She was YWCA Woman of Excellence honoree in 2006.

Dr. McCarthy has been active in the American College of Physicians, attending numerous national and regional meetings, as well as participating in committees. She became a Fellow in 2001.

Dr. McCarthy has pursued her interest in end-of-life care, serving as medical director of a local hospice from 1990 to 2006. She helped develop the Palliative Care Program at Stormont-Vail HealthCare in 2006, and has served as co-medical director since that time.

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#### **About Stormont-Vail HealthCare**

Stormont-Vail HealthCare is an integrated health care system serving northeast Kansas. Stormont-Vail HealthCare was formed when Stormont-Vail Regional Health Center and Cotton-O'Neil Clinic joined in 1995. PediatricCare joined the system in 1996. The health system has nearly 200 primary care and specialty physicians working together to provide exceptional care throughout the region.