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James Barnett, M.D., FACP, Joins Cotton-O'Neil Clinic in Topeka

(Topeka, Kan., Sept. 13, 2010) – Stormont-Vail HealthCare and Cotton-O'Neil Clinic proudly welcome the addition of James Barnett, M.D., FACP, to the internal medicine group at Cotton-O'Neil Clinic. Dr. Barnett recently stepped aside from his position as state senator for the 17th District of the State of Kansas to resume caring for patients full-time in his medical practice. Dr. Barnett will begin his practice at Cotton-O'Neil Clinic on September 29, 2010 and will be located at the Robert O'Neil Building at 901 S.W. Garfield in Topeka.

Dr. Barnett completed his education at Emporia State University and received his medical degree at the University of Kansas School of Medicine, Kansas City, Kan., in 1979. He completed his internship and residency at the University of Texas Health Science Center, Dallas, Texas, in 1982. Dr. Barnett is board certified in internal medicine and is a member of the Alpha Omega Alpha Honorary Medical Society. He is also a member of the American College of Physicians and the American Society of Internal Medicine.

During his time in elected office, Dr. Barnett received a number of honors including the Sertoma Service to Mankind Award, the Sam Walton Business Leader Award, Friends of Education Award from the Confidence in Kansas Public Education Task Force, Kansas Association of Addiction Professionals Outstanding Public Official of the Year, Kansas Pharmacy Association Board of Trustees Award for Outstanding Service, the 2000 Good Scout Award, and the Community Health Super Hero Award from the Kansas Association for the Medically Underserved.

Dr. Barnett is currently accepting new patients. For more information about this internal medicine physician or to schedule an appointment, visit www.stormontvail.org or call Health Connections at (785) 354-5225.

About Stormont-Vail HealthCare

Stormont-Vail HealthCare is an integrated health care system that has been serving the health care needs of northeast Kansas for more than 125 years. It is comprised of Stormont-Vail Regional Health Center, a 586-bed acute care hospital, and the Cotton-O'Neil Clinic, a multi-specialty physician group with 192 physicians. More than 4,000 employees provide care and support services for patients in the hospital and 27 other locations, including the Cotton-O'Neil Heart Center, Cancer Center, Diabetes and Endocrinology Center, Digestive Health Center, the PediatricCare clinic and multiple regional primary care clinics. Stormont-Vail HealthCare is committed to its mission of improving the health of the community by providing high quality, compassionate care with state-of-the-art equipment in convenient, comfortable facilities for patients and families.

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