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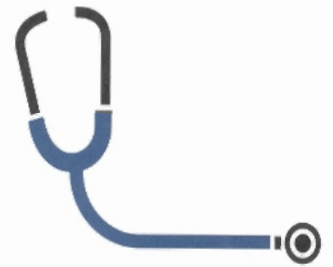
**PCAN Hosts National Doctors' Day Volunteer Recognition Dinner
Honoring Orange County Chairman and Volunteers**

ORLANDO, Fla...The Primary Care Access Network (PCAN) hosted a volunteer recognition dinner themed, "*Volunteers Are Shining Stars*" on National Doctors' Day, Thursday, March 25, at the Rosen Centre Hotel located in Orlando. PCAN Board Chairman George Ellis, M.D., commended local health care providers and supporters in Orange County for their exemplary efforts toward improvement and awareness in the health care field.

Remarks were made by Orange County Chairman Richard T. Crotty, winner of this year's Health Care Champion Award. Rosen Hotels and Resorts President and CEO, Harris Rosen, also spoke and was honored with the Community Partner Award for his model of health care services.

Other winners honored at the ceremony included: Kerry Neall, M.D., who was selected as the Shepherd's Hope Shining Star; Laura Fraley, P.T., who was selected as the Special Care Shining Star; Jeffrey Hartog, M.D., who was selected as the Healing the Children Shining Star; Michael Allen, D.D.S., who was selected as the HealthCare Center for the Homeless Shining Star; and Harry Stone, M.D., who was selected as the PCAN Volunteer of the Year.

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The Primary Care Access Network is comprised of public and private health care providers committed to improving the access, quality and coordination of health care services to the underinsured in Orange County. By developing an integrated, comprehensive system of primary care centers, PCAN intends to increase primary care capacity and reduce utilization of the local emergency departments by providing "medical homes" and teaching basic first aid to residents of Orange County.