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**For immediate release:**

Philadelphia – Philadelphia International Medicine (PIM) and the Medical Services Corps of the United Arab Emirates Armed Forces today signed an agreement to establish a special relationship combining clinical education, training for auxiliary staff, consulting services and a visiting physician program integrated with a patient referral program.

Under the agreement, hospitals that are part of PIM can expect to see an increase in the referral of specialty cases from the UAE military hospitals. Those hospitals send more than 2000 patients for advanced care around the world. Under the agreement, PIM hospitals will become a key referral center.

In exchange, PIM will assist MSC in improving the clinical communication between treating physicians abroad and referring doctors at home; develop a schedule for Philadelphia area physicians to travel to Abu Dhabi, where the MSC's Sheikh Zayed Military Hospital is headquartered; and to conduct video case reviews and clinical lectures.

“With a mission that is devoted both to education and to quality patient care, this agreement with the MSC will help PIM and its hospital network expand its services in a key corner of the world while expanding the opportunities for physicians from this region to help in the training of their peers in the Middle East,” said Leonard Karp, president and CEO of PIM.

As some of the first steps, the two organizations will establish a regular schedule of visiting physicians in which doctors from the Philadelphia-based hospitals that own PIM will go to Sheikh Zayed Military Hospital to demonstrate advanced techniques to their peers in the military hospitals. The doctors will offer lectures, provide one-on-one training and advise military doctors on specific cases.

PIM and its hospital network will become a preferred location for the treatment of patients needing advanced care. The patients will be treated in Philadelphia and communication links between referring and treating physician at home will be improved to establish a better continuum of care.

The PIM Network includes the A.I. duPont Hospital for Children, Fox Chase Cancer Center, Pennsylvania Hospital, Temple University Hospital, Thomas Jefferson University Hospital and the University of Pennsylvania Medical Center.

Philadelphia International Medicine is an organization that provides medical and patient support services to international patients. It also provides continuing medical education and health care training and

education to international physicians, administrators and other practitioners. As the international department of several Philadelphia-area hospitals, international patients gain access to physicians and hospitals rated among the best in the world through one telephone call to PIM. You can reach PIM by calling 1-215-735-3575; fax, 1-215-790-1267; or e-mail, [physicians@philadelphiamedicine.com](mailto:physicians@philadelphiamedicine.com). You can find out more about PIM through its Website at [www.philadelphiamedicine.com](http://www.philadelphiamedicine.com).