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Orthopedic surgeons, physicians set to provide health information at first annual ReNovo Education Day

SHELBYVILLE, Indiana – During 2010, multiple thousands of Hoosiers will visit a hospital or clinic seeking relief from severe joint pain, bone diseases, or injuries related to their musculoskeletal systems, according to Jack Horner, president and CEO of Major Health Partners. Many will undergo surgery for joint replacement or repair, while others will seek professional therapeutic treatment to ease pain or correct problems.

Orthopedic treatment options range from simple rehabilitation to highly complex surgical procedures. To give patients, families, and people with joint pain more insight and information about how to resolve their situation, Major Health Partners is hosting the first annual ReNovo Education Day at the ReNovo Orthopaedic Center in Intelliplex this coming Saturday, April 24.

"Untreated chronic joint or related pain can cause numerous problems beyond the condition itself," said Denny Schnepf, vice president of physician services for Major Hospital. "It's an important decision to select both the type of appropriate type of treatment and the best facility in which to receive that treatment."

“The top surgeons, doctors and professional staff at the ReNovo Orthopaedic Center will be on hand Saturday to provide critical information about options people can seek to relieve pain and correct conditions,” Schnepf continued.

The state-of-the-art ReNovo Orthopaedic Center in Shelbyville is home to three regional orthopedic practice groups of Major Health Partners: the Family Orthopaedic and Rehabilitation Center (FORCE), Major Sports Medicine and SportWorks. In two free seminars (the first conducted at 11 a.m. and repeated at 1 p.m.), FORCE orthopedic surgeons Sean Garringer and Kevin Lemme will discuss the newest surgical options for joint replacement and repair. Dr. Greg Howard, a board-certified physician who serves as director of Major Sports Medicine (and is featured in the upcoming May issue of *Indianapolis Monthly*), will discuss how joint pain can be relieved and performance improved without surgery. Therapists and professional staff from SportWorks will also be on hand at the center to demonstrate ReNovo’s computer controlled therapy pool and advanced rehabilitation and training equipment.

During the Education Day the Biomet Mobile Learning Center will be at the Center for visitors who wish to learn more about the latest technology available for joint replacement, including new minimally invasive techniques and replacement options available to patients at ReNovo. Biomet award-winning orthopedic products are used in treatment options at ReNovo, including the company’s total and partial joint replacement (minimally invasive) products.

“Many people suffer needlessly from joint pain or injury and may not be aware that an advanced center like ReNovo is available in Shelby County to aid them,” Schnepf explained. “Family members of people who might need orthopedic attention are also welcome to attend this free annual event,

and they can collect important information about treatment options available for their family members and friends.”

The free event will run from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 24. The ReNovo Orthopaedic Center is located at 275 West Bassett Road in Shelbyville, near the southwest corner of Intelliplex (next to the vertical wind turbines). The facility is located just off of I-74, 30 minutes from downtown Indianapolis.

For a complete list of the full line of professional healthcare services offered by Major Health Partners and Major Hospital, please visit www.majorhospital.org.

About ReNovo and Major Health Partners Representing a \$100 million annual operation, Major Health Partners (MHP) features a full spectrum of state-of-the-art medical and healthcare services for southeast Indiana. Centered on Major Hospital, MHP is located in Shelby County about 30 minutes from Indianapolis. The \$7 million state-of-the-art ReNovo Orthopaedic Center is the only kind of its facility in Indiana, offering a full spectrum of orthopedic and rehabilitation services under one roof. MHP services include a full line of surgical, family medicine, cardio-pulmonary, oncology, OB-GYN, orthopaedic, internal medicine and other specialty practices featuring top physicians and medical professionals. For more information, please visit www.majorhospital.org. For more information about the ReNovo Orthopaedic Center, please visit www.ortho-renovo.org.