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Hospice of Holland Announces New Associate Medical Director, Tod Wyn, MD

(Holland, MI.) In September 2012, Hospice of Holland will welcome a new face to its team of individuals caring for end-of-life patients in West Michigan. Tod Wyn, MD, currently of West Michigan, has accepted the position of Associate Medical Director working in tandem with Hospice of Holland's current Medical Director, Roger Phillips, MD.

Dr. Wyn served 16 years as an emergency room physician at Hackley Hospital in Muskegon, Michigan. Dr. Wyn was a full partner and a Vice President of West Michigan Emergency Services, the provider of ER physicians for Hackley Hospital. In addition, Dr Wyn was active on various committees in the hospital, including the Code Blue Committee and chairman of the Stroke Team Committee. Dr. Wyn is currently completing a fellowship in Palliative Care Medicine which he will complete in August 2012.

"We feel very fortunate to have found another physician who meets our criteria of providing a very high level of quality patient care and who also displays a passion for the specialty of hospice care," says Torrey Husmann, Executive Director of Hospice of Holland. *"There are not many board certified hospice and palliative care physicians out there. To have two of them on staff really is a privilege,"* Husmann says.

Hospice of Holland's decision to add another full-time board certified physician to the team stems from continued growth in the organization's patient population. *"Hospice of Holland has served over 8,200 individuals in Ottawa, Allegan, Kent and Van Buren counties since its inception over 30 years ago,"* says Denise Stancill, Director of Business Development. *"We're committed to meeting the needs of our community and feel now, more than ever, we are in a position to handle the expected growth over the next several years"* she states. Dr. Wyn has already begun working with the organization as an on-call physician and will continue in this role until he begins his full-time employment in September 2012.

In addition to a full range of hospice services, Hospice of Holland offers counseling and bereavement services, volunteer support, inpatient and outpatient palliative care, and specialized programs like "Still Me", a program designed for terminally ill patients with advanced dementia. Hospice of Holland also has a beautiful, 18 bed licensed hospice residence staffed with specially trained nurses and aides who can provide hospital level of care for those in need of 24 hour specialized hospice care.

"Adding another physician is just the start of what we have planned in 2012 and beyond," says Stancill. *"Hospice of Holland is committed to meeting the needs of our patients and serving our community with the best in end-of-life care possible."*