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Edward Iannuccilli, MD Honored for Service in Health Care in Rhode Island

Warwick, RI – Edward Iannuccilli, MD, FACP, chairman of the Rhode Island Hospital board of trustees, was honored with the 2006 Benjamin R. Sturges Distinguished Service Award by the Hospital Association of Rhode Island (HARI) at its annual Celebration of Excellence awards ceremony. The Distinguished Service Award is bestowed in honor of Benjamin Sturges, a community leader who devoted his life to health care and to bettering the community. For half a century, Sturges was active in hospital issues as a trustee at South County Hospital and Butler Hospital as well as taking up many educational and environmental causes.

“I congratulate Dr. Iannuccilli on his hard work and dedication,” said Edward Quinlan, president of the Hospital Association of Rhode Island. “Dr. Iannuccilli is the latest in a line of remarkable individuals who have made tremendous contributions to our health care community. The association is proud to present him with this award.”

Iannuccilli came to Rhode Island Hospital as a resident more than 30 years ago and began serving on the Rhode Island Hospital board of trustees in 1991. The gastroenterologist and Bristol resident was appointed chairman of the board in 2002. He has provided leadership, insight and guidance highlighted by nearly \$500 million in capital investments, improved employee and labor relations and academic growth.

Iannuccilli, formerly the director of medical education at the hospital and a clinical professor of medicine at Brown Medical School, also at one time served as chairman of the board of UnitedHealthcare. He is a graduate of Providence College and Albany Medical College.

Elizabeth Burke Bryant, JD, executive director of Rhode Island Kids Count, received the HARI Award for Public Service for her extraordinary achievement in serving the people of Rhode Island.

The employees of the year from HARI’s member hospitals were also recognized during the program.

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Pictures of the award recipients are available electronically by request.