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**HORNE LLP's 18th Annual Medical Office Salary Survey Confirms Decrease
in Average Annual Salaries within Physician Practices**

RIDGELAND, Miss., Nov. 10, 2010 – HORNE LLP's 18th Annual Medical Office Staff Salary Survey©, released today, shows a substantial number of positions have decreased in average salary indicating the economy has continued to impact physician practices during this past year.

This year's Annual Medical Office Staff Salary Survey provides an analysis of 330 medical office staff salaries among medical practices primarily in the Southeastern United States, including the states of Louisiana, Mississippi, Arkansas, Tennessee, Alabama, Georgia, Florida, South Carolina, Texas and Virginia.

"Physician groups use this report as a guide during annual performance evaluations," said Survey Director Becky Englehardt. "In addition to the report on salaries, though, the report encompasses many aspects of a medical practice including turnover, performance evaluations, type of benefits offered, electronic medical records and information technology statistics."

This year's survey also confirmed an anticipated increase in electronic medical record utilization and E-prescribing.

Reporting categories include details of 39 general and administrative positions, two additional positions were reported in the aggregate. For clinical positions, 34 were reported in detail while eight positions were reported in the aggregate. The report also included a total of 12 upper management and non-physician provider positions and supplemental information regarding the benefits offered in these positions. View a report preview on www.horne-llp.com in the Resources section.

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