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## **PHYSICIAN HEALTH PROGRAM OF MAINE RECEIVES DONATION FROM PROMUTUAL GROUP**



*David J. Simmons, M.D., FACP (right), clinical director of the Physician Health Program of Maine, accepts a check from Thomas Lavoie (left), senior marketing representative for ProMutual Group.*

**Boston, MA** (December 3, 2007) – Physician Health Program of Maine, a program of the Maine Medical Association, was the recipient of a recent donation from ProMutual Group to assist the organization in helping physicians with health problems. The donation in the amount of \$5,000 was presented to the organization in Bar Harbor, Maine. This donation is one in a series that ProMutual Group has planned to support physician health programs throughout the states in which it currently operates.

The Physician Health Program of Maine, a 21 year-old program, is available to assist healthcare professionals to identify and monitor their health problems which might impair their ability to practice medicine safely. The Physician Health Program acts as an advocate for its physicians impacted by health problems by providing compassionate, comprehensive and confidential assistance to medical professionals.

“We are sincerely grateful for ProMutual Group’s support of our Physician Health Program,” said David J. Simmons, M.D., FACP, clinical director of the Physician Health Program of Maine. “It is clear that ProMutual Group shares the Maine Medical Association’s commitment to professionalism and service as well as their understanding of the value of assisting physicians with health problems.”

Recognizing the critical importance of supporting physician well-being, ProMutual Group has donated in excess of \$2.5 million to similar healthcare programs over the last decade. Recipients of the company’s past philanthropic efforts have included the Massachusetts Medical Society’s Physician Health Services, the Rhode Island Medical Society’s Physician Health Program and the New Hampshire Professional Health Program.

“We support the efforts of the Physician Health Program of Maine and others like it that work tirelessly to support caregivers,” said Maureen Mondor, ProMutual Group’s vice president of risk management. “While working with the state’s physicians who are in need of their services, the Physician Health Program also takes safety and quality of care seriously. Their mission reflects that of ProMutual Group’s, an ongoing support of physician well-being, delivery of excellent medical care and enhanced emphasis on patient safety.”

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