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SCPMG PHYSICIANS DONATE $5,000 TO LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS IN HONOR OF NATIONAL DOCTOR’S DAY

FONTANA, CA. March 30, 2015 – In honor of National Doctor’s Day, Southern California Permanente Medical Group (SCPMG) in San Bernardino County presented $5,000 in donations to two local, non-profit organizations. The donations, in the amount of $2,500 each, were made to West Valley Search & Rescue and the San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Medical Reserve Corps.

“Southern California Permanente Medical Group physicians are committed to creating healthier and safer communities,” said Dr. David Quam, Area Medical Director and Chief of Staff. “These two organizations provide critical services to people in San Bernardino County. The donations are gifts from all of our exceptionally caring doctors to the members of our communities.”

Check presentations were made at the Doctor’s Day Luncheons on Monday, March 30, with many SCPMG physicians in attendance. The donation to West Valley Search & Rescue was presented at the Kaiser Permanente Ontario Medical Center. The check for San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Medical Reserve Corps was presented at the Kaiser Permanente Fontana Medical Center.

This is the third year in a row that SCPMG physicians in San Bernardino County have made major donations on Doctor’s Day. Past recipients include the Ontario Wheelhouse and Redlands Bike BBQ, both non-profit organizations who support cycling, Healthy Fontana – Let’s Move on the Trail, and Healthy in Pomona – Community Garden Project.

National Doctor’s Day was created to honor and show appreciation for doctors. The first Doctor’s Day observance was on March 30, 1933. It was started by Eudora Brown Almond, wife of Dr. Charles B. Almond, of Winder, Georgia. The day marks the anniversary of the first use of general anesthesia in surgery. It was designated as National Doctor’s Day by President George Bush in 1991, and is celebrated each year on March 30.
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Kaiser Permanente’s San Bernardino County Service Area has provided comprehensive, affordable health care to the Inland Empire for 70 years and serves more than 510,000 members. The San Bernardino County Service Area includes the Kaiser Foundation Hospitals in Fontana and Ontario, and medical offices in Fontana, Ontario, Rancho Cucamonga, Colton, Claremont, Montclair, Chino, San Bernardino, Victorville, Redlands, and Upland.

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