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## GRAND LAKE HEALTH SYSTEM PRACTICE BECOMING A PATIENT-CENTERED MEDICAL HOME

***Family practice of Dr. Robert Gill, M.D. is part of the Ohio Academy of Family Physicians Education Pilot Project made possible by Ohio House Bill 198.***

ST. MARYS, Ohio (November 4, 2011) — Grand Lake Health System (GLHS) is pleased to announce that the family practice of Robert Gill, M.D. in Minster, Ohio, is participating in a pilot project made possible by the passage of Ohio House Bill 198 in June 2010, that will establish his practice as our system's first Patient-Centered Medical Home in the coming years. Dr. Gill's practice is one of only 44 across four regions in the state of Ohio taking part in the project. This exciting program, managed by the Ohio Academy of Family Physicians (OAFP) with assistance from TransforMED, is intended to increase the number of primary care physicians serving patients and to reduce costs while improving practice efficiency and quality of care through use of the Patient-Centered Medical Home model of health care.

The Patient-Centered Medical Home is an innovative model of health care delivery that ensures well-coordinated, comprehensive care for patients over the course of their lifetime by fostering continuity, accessibility and collaboration through strong patient-doctor relationships and the utilization of technology like Electronic Medical Records (EMRs). According to Grand Lake CEO Kevin Harlan, Dr. Gill's participation in this project is another way for GLHS to enhance patient care. "We're always looking for new ways to deliver better care and value to our patients, and because the Patient-Centered Medical Home is seen by many experts as the preeminent health care model of the future, it's a perfect fit. With Dr. Gill's family practice, we're taking an important step toward ensuring the availability and quality of primary care in our community, the state and the country moving forward."

For more information about Grand Lake Health System and Dr. Gill's family practice, visit [www.GrandLakeHealth.org](http://www.GrandLakeHealth.org).

### **About Grand Lake Health System**

Grand Lake Health System is a mission-driven, nonprofit healthcare provider serving the Grand Lake Region of West Central Ohio since 1953. Grand Lake Health System includes over 150 physicians and 800 health care professionals who deliver comprehensive, high-quality care to patients from 10 centers of excellence and 13 affiliated practices throughout the region. Grand Lake's largest facility is Joint Township District Memorial Hospital, located in St. Marys, Ohio. Dr. Gill's family practice is located at 4 Eagle Drive in Minster, Ohio.

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