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## HIGH MOUNTAIN HEALTH NORTH HALEDON AND OAKLAND OFFICES JOIN VANGUARD MEDICAL GROUP

**NORTH HALEDON AND OAKLAND, N.J.** — Feb 1, 2014 — <u>Vanguard Medical Group</u> <u>P.A.</u> welcomes its newest providers, the High Mountain Health offices of North Haledon and Oakland. The Vanguard Medical Group, with additional offices in Cranford, Montville and Verona, is regionally and nationally recognized as a leader in providing high quality, comprehensive individual and family care.

"Vanguard Medical Group's goal is to provide value to our patients and to our community with a comprehensive and coordinated approach to patient care, advancing the quality of care and improving the overall cost through closer coordination with other care providers," said Dr. Bob Eidus, President. "Furthermore," he said, "we couldn't ask for better collaborators than the dedicated teams at North Haledon and Oakland."

Five physicians, a nurse practitioner and two physician assistants from High Mountain Health have joined Vanguard Medical Group. These include Peter Louis Carrazzone, M.D., F.A.A.F.P; Robert S. DelaGente, D.O.; Richard S. Morski, M.D.; Louis F. Perdomo, M.D.; Cathleen M. Saros, D.O.; Julie Becker, P.A.; Emerlinda Imperio, M.S.N., F.P.N.P-c; and Christina Patten-Bottiglierie, M.S.P.A.-c.

The North Haledon and Oakland offices provide comprehensive primary care to all ages, including newborns, children, adolescents, adults and seniors. Convenient hours seven days a week, and walk in and urgent care have made these offices the primary care providers of choice in their community. As part of Vanguard, the North Haledon and Oakland offices will continue their unwavering dedication to caring for their patients while also adding new resources and expertise to keep their patients healthier, and health care more affordable.

"We want all our patients to rest assured that we will continue to provide our in-depth personal care that they have come to know over the years and that any patient we have seen can continue to receive care from us through the North Haledon and Oakland offices," said Peter Carrazzone, M.D., F.A.A.F.P., Medical Director, North Haledon.

"Our partnership will focus on prevention, wellness and chronic care management across our patient population, expanding patient access to services, greater outreach to help coordinate care in the community, and clinical efficiencies that will help lower costs," said Thomas McCarrick, M.D., Chief Medical Officer of Vanguard Medical Group.

With the addition of North Haledon and Oakland, Vanguard Medical Group is expected to serve more than 45,000 active patients in five office locations. Vanguard Medical Group accepts most major insurance.

## **About Vanguard Medical Group**

Vanguard Medical Group, P.A. is a regional primary care practice serving area communities from five sites:

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- 123 N. Union Ave., Suite 204, Cranford, NJ 07016, Phone: 908-272-7990;
- 170 Changebridge Road, Suite C-3, Montville, NJ 07045, Phone: 973-575-5540;
- 535 High Mountain Road, North Haledon, N.J. 07508, Phone: 973-636-9000;
- 19 Yawpo Avenue, Oakland, N.J. 07436, Phone: 201-337-3412.

The goal of Vanguard Medical Group is to transform health care through collaboration by enhancing the patient experience, measurably advancing quality and improving the affordability of health care. Hospital affiliations include Chilton Memorial Hospital, Morristown Medical Center, Mountainside/UHMC Hospital, Overlook Medical Center, Saint Clare's Hospital, Saint Barnabas Medical Center, St. Joseph's Paterson, and St. Joseph's Wayne. Website: vanguardmedgroup.com.

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