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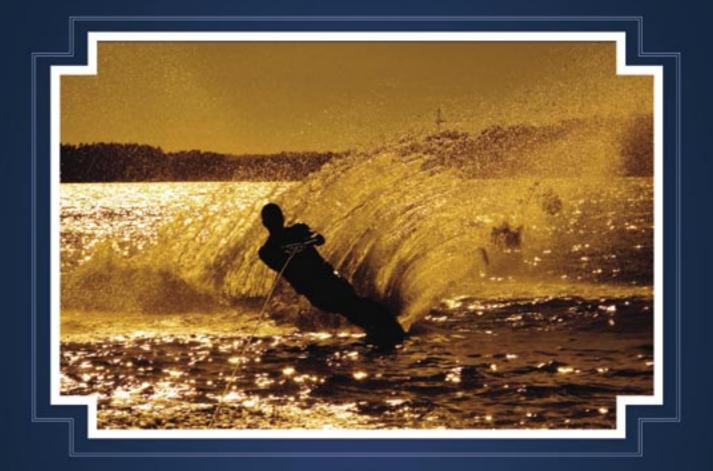


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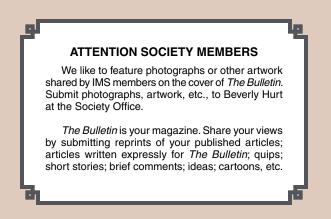
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## about our cover

## John C. Ellis, MD

Dr. John Ellis is the 136th President of the Indianapolis Medical Society and is ABMS Board Certified in Pediatrics. Dr. Ellis and your IMS leadership want input for the upcoming year ... please send

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## Medicine at the Crossroads, Again?

Thank you all for the honor of allowing me to serve as your president for the next 12 months. I am humbled and challenged by the privilege during this time of great national focus on healthcare and the practice of medicine.

The *practice* of medicine in the United States continues to evolve under influences both internal and external as a part of the larger business of American healthcare. Physicians are painfully aware of the powers outside medicine and even outside healthcare that have profound effects on our ability to pursue our chosen profession. The external assault is as vigorous today as any time in recent memory, and the outcomes may significantly change our lives.

Criticisms of American healthcare target appropriate concerns about the comparatively high cost and disappointing outcomes of American healthcare. However, the dependence of many of our population on the "silver bullet theory" may be the single greatest determiner of the health of our citizens and the cost of healthcare. The "corporatization" of healthcare as an investment opportunity with only nominal physician input is another determinant. Most physicians, as my dear, departed friend, Brad Hale would say, "Are busy doctoring as fast as we can." As we minister to patients and use our best efforts to improve health and relieve suffering in our own individual ways, we may lose track of opportunities or responsibilities to our profession, and thus to our community, that only we can provide.

It is not a surprise that many physicians feel we are in the crosshairs of an assault empowered by forces that lack substantial understanding of the elements of our decision-making or the constraints under which we provide care. Physicians have the potential to be profoundly affected, individually and collectively, by current events. Each of us may feel we are unable to substantially influence the course of events. However, whether we have chosen a primary care or a sub-specialty career path, medical or surgical, urban or rural, we all have a basic core of training and tradition upon which we call with each medical intervention. The foundations on which we depend daily are collectively the *profession* of medicine. The internal thread of continuity in healthcare must be the profession of medicine; physicians assuming their professional responsibilities beyond the care for individual patients. Two characteristics of a profession are:

1) Skills based on theoretical knowledge that can be applied in practice and

2) Professional association through bodies organized by members to "define, promote, oversee, support and regulate the affairs of its members." Our forefathers, in preamble to the first AMA code of Ethics in 1847, provided some guidance which is still timely:

"It is not enough, however, that the members of the medical profession be zealous, well informed and self-denying, unless the social principle be cultivated by their seeking frequent intercourse with each other, and cultivating, reciprocally, friendly habits of acting in common. By union alone can medical men hope to sustain the dignity and extend the usefulness of their profession. Among the chief means to bring about this desirable end, are frequent social meetings and regularly organized Societies..."

My participation in the Indianapolis Medical Society is based on that principle. I am enriched though interaction with physicians of varied backgrounds, some of whom I would meet in no other way. Our concerns as physicians are mutual and go beyond those of our individual specialty and practice arrangements. Our individual ability to effect change is vastly multiplied by our collaboration as has been repeatedly demonstrated in legislative affairs in our state.

At this critical time in the evolution of healthcare and the practice of medicine in the United States, we, the profession of medicine with our unique perspective on healthcare, must fulfill our obligation as the internal force for responsible change in this debate. Your Indianapolis Medical Society will listen to you and together we will look for opportunities to professionally effect responsible change. We are very interested in your suggestions on how the Society can better serve you and your colleagues. Communicate with us. Collaborate with your peers. Recruit a new member to join you in this opportunity to participate in your professional society through communication and participation. Your Indianapolis Medical Society is only as strong as you make it. Thanks for your support personally and professionally. It makes all the difference.

John C. Eller

# 2009-2010 IMS Election Results



## Jeffrey J. Kellams, MD, President-Elect



## Mark M. Hamilton, MD, Secretary/Treasurer

IMS Board - Congratulations to Re-elected Directors; i.e., Doctors Bush, Dunniway, Kappelman, Perkins, and Sanders, and to our New Directors; i.e., Doctors Robert J. Goulet, Jr., David C. Hall, and Anthony W. Mimms!

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**Richard L. Schreiner, MD,** is retiring September 15, 2009, after serving more than 21 years as chairman of the Department of Pediatrics at the Indiana University School of Medicine at IUPUI.

Matthew W. Wolf, MD, and W. Joseph Johnston, MD, relocated their family medicine practices in August to the newly opened South 31 Family Care Center, located at US 31 and Southport Road. Their phone number is 317-781-7370.

Adam J. Fisch, MD, has joined JWM Neurology. Dr. Fisch is a board certified neurologist and sleep disorders medicine physician and has special interests in sleep medicine/EEG/EMG.

Dr. Fisch is originally from Indianapolis and received his medical degree from Indiana University School of Medicine. He completed his neurology residency and sleep medicine fellowship at Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis, Missouri. Dr. Fisch is an avid educator and has lectured to medical students, rehabilitation therapists and neurology residents at many different universities. He also recently authored a book titled *Neuroanatomy: Draw it to Know It,*" published by Oxford University Press, for which he won the "2009 Washington University in St. Louis Leonard Berg Prize for Research During Residency" Award. Dr. Fisch sees patients with general neurology problems and sleep disorders.

Adam is the son of Dr. Gary Fisch and the nephew of Dr. Jon Fisch, IMS members.

Habib John Komari, MD, President and CEO of Indiana Cardiac & Vascular Consultants, presented his abstract "Guidelines to the Primary and Secondary Prevention of CVD," at the National Arab American Medical Association's 23rd International Convention in Morocco in July 2009.

**David F. Box, MD,** has joined the Indiana Eye Clinic and will continue his practice, formerly Southside Eye Associates, at 6243 S. East Street.

Keenan Berghoff, MD, (photo unavailable) opened Community Surgeons of Indiana specializing in surgeries on the esophagus at Community Hospital North.

Kevin J. Stanley, MD, (photo unavailable) has joined myORTHOTEAM.com and will practice on the Southside. Dr. Stanley is a board eligible orthopaedic surgeon who completed his fellowship training in knee, hip and shoulder replacements at the INSALL Scott Kelly Institute. He completed his orthopaedic surgery residency at University of Tennessee-Campbell Clinic and earned his medical degree from SUNY University at Buffalo School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences.

**Serge P. Marinkovic, MD,** (photo unavailable), a boardcertified urologist and member of St. Francis Medical Group, participated in a seminar at the St. Francis Carson Square offices in July which addressed the most common urological problems that people face as they age.

**Rick C. Sasso, MD,** Indiana Spine Group, was a visiting professor at the Texas Back Institute in Plano, Texas, presenting his lecture "Intraoperative Surgical Navigation," in July 2009.

Dr. Sasso served a faculty member at the Scoliosis Research Society's 16th International Meeting on Advanced Spine Techniques (IMAST) held in Vienna, Austria in July 2009. His lectures were, "The Current State of Cervical Motion Technol-



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ogy," "The Approach to Cervical Radiculopathy: Anterior versus Posterior," and "C1-C2 Fracture Treatment." He also moderated the sessions on "Options in Cervical Fixation and Motion" and "Motion Preservation Technology." Dr. Sasso presented two clinical research studies and participated as a panel member on "Cervical Reconstruction."

Derron K.

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Dr. Sasso published a chapter, "Total Cervical Disc Arthroplasty," in the textbook *Emerging Techniques in Spine Surgery* released in June 2009.

#### News from Indianapolis Neurosurgical Group ...

Aaron A. Cohen-Gadol, MD, recently published the following papers: "Classification and clinical anatomy of the first spinal nerve: surgical implications," in the *Journal of Neurosurgery: Spine;* "Cervical osteochondroma with postoperative recurrence: case report and review of the literature," in the journal, *Child's Nervous System;* "Surgical anatomy and quantitation of the branches of the V2 and V3 segments of the vertebral artery: Laboratory investigation," in the *Journal of Neurosurgery: Spine;* "The petrosal nerves: anatomy, pathology, and surgical considerations," in the journal, *Clinical Anatomy;* "Hemilingual spasm: pathophysiology," in *Neuroscience Letters;* "Nonaccidental head injury in children: Historical vignette," in the *Journal of Neurosurgery: Pediatrics.* 

**Troy D. Payner, MD,** and Aaron Cohen-Gadol, MD, were faculty at the American Association of Neurological Surgeons' Practical Anatomy Workshop for senior neurosurgery residents in St. Louis, July 24-26. Dr. Cohen-Gadol was the course director, gave the opening address and presented workshops on "Overview of Patient Positioning, Skull Base Approaches and Clip Application" and "Intraoperative Fluorescence Angiography." Dr. Payner presented the workshop, "Sylvian Fissure Dissection Techniques: How Much is Enough?"

**Eric A. Potts, MD,** neurosurgery-trained spine surgeon, and **Derron K. Wilson, MD**, interventional pain management physician, were featured recently on the WISH-TV television special, Modern Healing, speaking about the benefits of choosing a neurosurgeon for patients with back and neck pain as well as the importance of collaboration between a pain physician and a neurosurgeon.

Please send submission for the Bulletin Board to mhadley@imsonline.org by the first of the month preceding publication. Inclusion is on a space available basis.

## **Be Prepared When Dialing Debtors**

If you're like most people, collecting past-due accounts makes you feel uncomfortable. However, you can make the task less painful and become a much more effective collector by following these precall tips.

**1. Gather Facts** – Know exactly how much is owed, for what, and for how long. Stating facts, dates, and exact numbers establishes credibility and intimidates debtors...making them less likely to argue.

**2. Review History** – Has the debtor owed you before? What were their objections? Have precedents been set by previous deals? A thorough review helps you uncover potential problems or opportunities for holding debtors to their promises.

**3. Decide in Advance** – Are you willing to accept less than full payment? How much less, and under what conditions? Experienced debtors try to make deals. Any hesitation on your part during the negotiations can weaken your position and put the debtor in control.



**4. Put Time on Your Side** – The best chance to catch a debtor at home is 4:00 to 8:00 p.m., Sunday through Friday. On Saturdays, try between 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. Before calling a debtor, make sure you fully understand your state regulations regarding allowable calling times.

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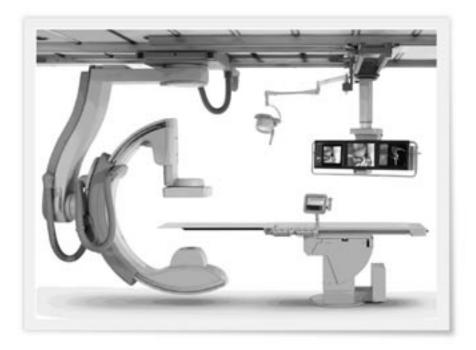


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Want to form an IMS Regatta team? Or put together a team of your colleagues from your practice? If so, please call the Society at 639-3406.

Gates will open at 10:30 am for registration, with opening ceremonies at 11:30. In addition to the races, the Regatta will have face painting, a bounce house obstacle course, food and drink and more. There will be an awards ceremony and a post race concert.

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## Lilly Cares Eligibility Changed

Indianapolis drugmaker Eli Lilly and Co. has widened its Lilly Cares, a patient assistance program offered by Lilly's charitable arm. The program will now accept people with incomes less than 300 percent of the poverty level. That is an increase from the 200 percent level and means the yearly eligible income limit for a family of two is about \$44,000. For program information, go online to www.lilly.com/responsibilty/ programs.

#### Indiana Heart Physicians Joined St. Francis

Indiana Heart Physicians, established in 1978, has integrated its services with St. Francis Hospital & Health Centers effective August 3, 2009.

#### 2009 National Health Insurer Report Card

To help reduce the substantial administrative burden of ensuring accurate insurance payments for physician services, the American Medical Association (AMA) launched the "Heal the Claims Process"<sup>TM</sup> campaign, which seeks to eliminate waste from the claims process, and rolled out the National Health Insurer Report Card (NHIRC) last year.

We invite you to visit the AMA's Web site at www.amaassn.org/go/reportcard to view the full results from this year's NHIRC and access the supporting documentation.

Learn the results of the second annual NHIRC as well as the payers' responses and the identified process improvement efforts underway with these payers. You can also learn how the AMA is fighting for the standardization of the claims process, including pricing transparency.

## CAPS Releases New Transitions in Care Toolkit for Consumers

Toolkit Helps Patients and their Families Plan and Work Together with their Healthcare Team to Ensure a Safe Hospital Transition to Follow-up Care

Hospital discharge is a time during which patients and families are at their most vulnerable. There is so much information they need to know, just when they may be least able to absorb, remember and act on it.

It is vital for members of the healthcare team to help patients leave the hospital with confidence, giving them the tools and information they need to make a smooth transition to their next destination. Consumers Advancing Patient Safety (CAPS) is pleased to announce the release of a toolkit titled, *Taking Charge of your Healthcare: Your Path to Being an Empowered Patient.* The toolkit provides you with the tools and resources you need to help improve the quality of care coordination and communication when patients are transferred from one level of care to another.

Transitions in care include a patient moving from primary care to specialty physicians; within the hospital it would include patients moving from the emergency department to various departments, such as surgery or intensive care; or when patients are discharged from the hospital and go home, into assisted living arrangements or into a skilled nursing facility.

Hospital discharge is not an event; it is a process. It is a process that takes time and should be started upon admission, if not sooner. Healthcare providers should give the tools in *Taking Continued on page 20.*  FEE-ONLY PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS AND INSTITUTIONS

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Charge of your Healthcare: Your Path to Being an Empowered *Patient* to patients and families as soon as possible.

At the heart of safe discharge is clear communication and education for patients and families. Patients and families need to know:

• The importance of prompt follow-up care

• What to expect and what to do when they leave the hospital

· How to plan for their immediate and longer-term needs

Patients also need to be empowered to talk to their healthcare providers when they feel intimidated, and they need practical strategies for getting the most out of conversations with members of the healthcare team.

Healthcare providers know that patients' and families'

feelings of fear, anxiety, insecurity and uncertainty, combined with their compromised medical conditions, make communication and understanding especially difficult precisely when their understanding is so essential. Taking Charge of your Healthcare: Your Path to Being an Empowered Patient is designed to help providers help patients during this critical time.

Patients know they don't feel well. They or their family members who accompany them on their care journey may recognize that they could use some help in working with the healthcare team to contribute to the safety and effectiveness of the process. This toolkit will help both groups achieve the safety they desire.

The toolkit was developed as part of the Consumers Advancing Patient Safety Add Patients, Change Everything! initiative sponsored by sanofi-aventis U.S. LLC.

For more information, tools and resources on safe transitions in care, visit the National Transitions of Care Coalition at www.ntocc.org.

#### Northwest Radiology is 'Lucky 13'

"Northwest Radiology Network was recently nominated to participate in *The Indianapolis Star* Top Workplaces 2009 program. In early 2009, more than 17,000 employees at 129 participating companies across the Indianapolis metro area gave their opinions concerning their workplaces in a survey commissioned by The Indianapolis Star. Of these 129 companies, NWR was chosen as one of the 'top' medium-size companies and was honored to be identified as the 13th top workplace in Central Indiana. This honor is particularly special because it was bestowed upon NWR by its own employees.

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## **Project Health**



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## Thank you, David C. Hall, MD



David C. Hall, MD, of Indianapolis Neurosurgical Group is Project Health's doctor volunteer for the month of September. He was born in the North Bay of Ontario, Canada, where his father was a mining engineer for Denison Mines. "We lived in the woods for the first five years of my life until my father took a teaching job at Michigan Tech

University in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan." His mother taught English literature in University settings and earned her Masters Degree at the University of Michigan while they lived there. Then, she taught at Washington State University and subsequently received her law degree in Spokane.

The rest of the family; i.e., his parents, brother and sister, were all born in England. They moved back there after living in the Upper Peninsula a few years. It was in the UP where he discovered he wanted to enter medicine. "They used to have a program to encourage young students to go into medicine by bringing a big van to town which had a medical unit with hearts from people who had died of rheumatic fever, some of whom had valve replacement." So he thought at first about being a cardiovascular surgeon.

"Having lived my young years in the woods and the UP with a population of about 3,000, I was amazed when I first landed in London at how big a city could be. It was great fun when my parents would take me to the railroad station and send me off to London – it was a real treat." He attended the Cateram Boarding School where his father, uncles and grandfather attended. His grandfather was also Headmaster there. Then, it was off to Westcliff School for Boys in Westcliff on the Sea in Leigh-on-Sea in Essex.

From there it was straight to the University of London's Westminster Medical School for a five-year program. "The schools do things a little differently in England," he said. Dr. Hall completed a rotating internship at the Pasqua Hospital in Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada, followed by a surgical internship at the Indiana University Medical Center.

"I had known about Indiana because my brother did a residency in neurosurgery at Methodist Hospital, and I spent some summers here hanging around." He said because his brother and sister were also in boarding schools he rarely saw them until summer. In the summer of 1972, he stayed in Indianapolis and hung out with his brother and John Russell, MD, who went into a partnership with Julius Goodman, MD. "Peter was a junior resident at the time, and it was the greatest eight weeks I'd ever had in my youth." He spent the following summer here at IU as well. After that the Pasqua Hospital switched him to clinical work, and he didn't have time for vacations. He did manage to do elective work in neurosurgery for three weeks in Minnesota and Toronto in 1976 which helped him decide whether to practice in Canada or the United States. "Neurosurgery in England was extremely limited at that time."

Dr. Hall accidentally came to Project Health when one of our patients was in the Methodist Hospital Emergency Room with a brain tumor. But since then, he has seen several other PH patients. "Your patients have legitimate problems, and it makes us feel good that we can make such a difference in their lives. Most of them were working and want desperately to get back to work. Helping them do that is very rewarding. I also feel that society contributes a lot to our education, so I think a lot of doctors feel the need to give back to society."

Dr. Hall likes the fact that Project Health provides medically certified interpreters for Hispanic patients. "I learned French and some Russian in school. While in England we used to take day-trips to France, so French became my second language. We need those interpreters."

Dr. Hall said he would encourage other physicians to volunteer for Project Health. "It's a nice way to be able to volunteer your service without being taken advantage of. The program allows us to set limits which we can't with Medicaid. It allows us to recognize the importance of giving to the community without being overwhelmed – the Project Health case managers make sure of that. It works out great for me."

Dr. Hall has a 25-year-old son just finishing medical school at IU and will start a general surgery internship in Wilmington, N.C. Another son graduated from the Kelly School of Business and is in China where he matches up American businessmen with factories that can produce their products. His youngest son is finishing up at the Kelley School of Business with an emphasis on real estate and is looking for work. Dr. Hall's daughter is in merchandising and fashion.

When he is not working, Dr. Hall likes to travel and bike. He tries once a year to go on a mountain biking trip out west or to Europe. He has been to Italy a few times and ran into Richard Graffis, MD, of Tower Surgical on the east coast of Italy one year. It really is a small world, which is why Project Health and the Indianapolis Medical Society are grateful that Dr. Hall decided to settle in Indianapolis after that whirlwind childhood.



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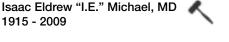
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In Memoriam





Isaac Eldrew "I.E." Michael, MD, 94, IMS Past President 1974-75, passed away August 1. 2009.

Born in Frankfort, Indiana, Dr. Michael graduated from Culver Military Academy, the University of Chicago, and Rush Presbyterian Medical School.

Dr. Michael was awarded the Bronze Star as a member of the Army Medical Corps in World War II. Following the war, he completed his residency and a fellowship in Internal Medicine at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, worked briefly in Ohio, and then founded what would become Northside Internal Medicine in Indianapolis. Dr. Michael was a member of the American Board of Internal Medicine, a fellow of the American College of Physicians and served as president of the Indianapolis (Marion County) Medical Society 1974-75. Dr. Michael was a dedicated internist who provided exceptional care and compassion until his retirement at the age of 78.

Even after retirement, Dr. Michael spent many years consulting, volunteering, and honoring speaking requests in the medical community. Among those activities were the Service Club of Indianapolis and Kiwanis Club of Meridian Hills and he served as Commander of the Paul Coble Post 26 unit until March 2009. The Society, friends and family remember Dr. Michael for his love of a good joke, intelligence, generosity, positive outlook and lifelong commitment to learning. Dr. Michael enjoyed flying with his private pilot's license for many years. He also enjoyed golf, restoring cars, classical and jazz music and travel.



#### James Kenneth Hwang, MD 1960 - 2009

James Kenneth Hwang, MD, 48, died August 5, 2009. Dr. Hwang was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota August 27, 1960.

Dr. Hwang earned his undergraduate degree at The George Washington University in Biology with a minor in Psychology and French. He graduated with Honors from the American University of the Caribbean School of Medicine, Plymouth, Montserrat, British West Indies in 1988.

Dr. Hwang served his internship at Robert Packer Hospital-Guthrie Clinic, Sayre, Pennsylvania, and his fellowship in Hematology-Oncology at the State University of New York at Stony Brook Medical Center, Stony Brook, New York.

He was board certified in Internal Medicine with subcertifications in Medical Oncology and Hematology.

Dr. Hwang was a member of the American Medical Association.



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- 27 PTSD Walk for Awareness, 1:00-4:00pm

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- 6 IMS Board, Society, 6:00pm, Social; 6:30pm, Dnr/Mtg 10 IMS Presidential Inaugural, John C. Ellis, MD
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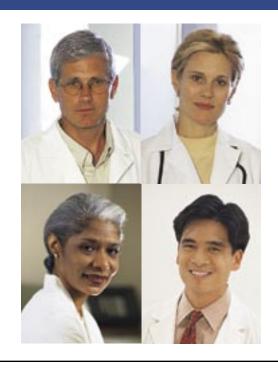


Nina Mason Pulliam Charitable Trust \$50,000 Grant for Project Diabetes

Photo left to right: Nancy M. Russell, Frank E. Russell, Chairman, and Carol Peden Schilling, NMPCT Trustee; standing, Mrs. Beverly Hurt.

A check for \$50,000 from the **Nina Mason Pulliam Charitable Trust**, representing the second year of a 2-year grant for Project Diabetes, was cheerfully accepted by Beverly Hurt, Executive Vice President of the Indianapolis Medical Society and IMS Foundation. "Since the Trust began its grantmaking in 1998, it has awarded more than \$81 Million to 408 Indiana nonprofit organizations. The Trust has continued to further the causes Nina Pulliam supported during her life. As Trustees, we are pleased to continue her legacy of helping people in need, protecting animals and nature, and enriching community life," said Frank E. Russell, Trustee Chairman.

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