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Rockford Spine Center Physician Presents at Mayo Conference

Rockford, IL (January 30, 2012) - Rockford Spine Center is pleased to announce Dr. Marie Walker presented at the Multidisciplinary Mayo Spine Conference on January 12 in Phoenix, AZ. Physicians must be invited to attend this esteemed event. Dr. Walker was the only physician outside of Mayo Clinic who was asked to present at the conference.

Dr. Walker presented the latest evidence and research on degenerative lumbar spondylolisthesis, which is a common arthritic condition in older patients. The ligaments in the spine become weak and less able to hold the spinal column in alignment causing vertebral slips, pinched nerves and sciatica.

Dr. Walker is a board-certified physiatrist who has been with Rockford Spine Center since 2005. Her expertise puts her at the frontline of complex spinal evaluation, diagnosis, and formulating treatment plans. Dr. Walker performs specialized diagnostic nerve testing (EMG/NCS), prescribes and supervises physical therapy plans, and performs peripheral joint and soft tissue injections.

Dr. Walker earned her medical degree from the University of Wisconsin, Madison, and did her residency in physical medicine and rehabilitation at Mayo Medical Center in Minnesota. She is a member of the American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation and the American Association of Neuromuscular and Electrodiagnostic Medicine.

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About Rockford Spine Center

Rockford Spine Center is the only facility in Northwestern Illinois dedicated exclusively to spinal care. The facility has the combined expertise of three fellowship trained spine surgeons, a Mayo Clinic trained physiatrist and a general orthopedic surgeon.

Rockford Spine Center's team of experts uses a multidisciplinary approach to treat the most complex spinal cases. The team has an advanced understanding of the spine and specializes in both surgical and non-surgical spinal disorders. Rockford Spine Center's goal is to get patients back to their active lifestyle as quickly as possible. For more information about Rockford Spine Center, visit the company's website at www.rockfordspine.com or find us on Facebook.

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