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## Rockford Spine Center Surgeons Named Top Doctors Castle Connolly Honors Drs. Sliva and Walker

**Rockford**, **IL** (February 2, 2015) - Rockford Spine Center (RSC) is pleased to announce Dr. Christopher Sliva and Dr. Marie Walker have been recognized as <u>Castle Connolly Top Doctors</u>. All doctors awarded with this recognition are nominated by peers, then reviewed and screened by a doctor-directed research team. All four of Rockford Spine Center's doctors have now been inducted into the Castle Connolly Top Doctors list.

"At Rockford Spine Center, we set out to provide the best spinal care in the country," said Dr. Sliva. "We are continually devising innovative treatment options for patients to give them their lives back. It is an honor to be recognized by our peers for the care we provide to our patients."

<u>Dr. Sliva</u>, a fellowship-trained spine surgeon and partner at RSC, has been recognized by Castle Connolly for his expertise in a broad spectrum of spine surgery procedures – from minimally invasive to complex spinal deformity surgeries. Dr. Sliva and his partners are considered regional experts.

<u>Dr. Walker</u> is a board-certified physiatrist. Her expertise puts her at the frontline of complex spinal evaluation, diagnosis and formulating treatment plans. Dr. Walker's primary goal in treating patients is to help them regain optimal function and quality of life while focusing on proper education of their spine conditions. Both Dr. Sliva and Dr. Walker have earned the Patients' Choice and Compassionate Doctor awards.

"The care we provide extends beyond an office visit. We value the relationships we build with our patients," said Dr. Walker. "To be recognized for doing what we love is quite an honor. We are thankful to our colleagues for recognizing us as Top Doctors."

Castle Connolly Medical Ltd. has built a reputation as a trusted source for finding the best physicians across the country. The company was founded in 1991 by John K. Castle, Chairman, and John J. Connolly, Ed.D., President and CEO. Castle Connolly's Top Doctors are rigorously selected from among hundreds of thousands of physicians. The intensive research methodology is designed to identify doctors who achieve the best possible health outcomes for patients. Physicians do not and cannot pay to be selected as a Castle Connolly Top Doctor.

For more information on Rockford Spine Center, visit <a href="www.rockfordspine.com">www.rockfordspine.com</a> or find the company on Facebook at <a href="www.facebook.com/RockfordSpine">www.facebook.com/RockfordSpine</a>.

## **About Rockford Spine Center**

Rockford Spine Center, a facility dedicated exclusively to spinal care, has the combined expertise of three fellowship trained spine surgeons, and a Mayo Clinic-trained physiatrist.

Rockford Spine Center's team of experts uses a multidisciplinary approach to treat spinal disorders, ranging from simple to the most complex cases. The team has an internationally recognized expertise in surgical and non-surgical spinal disorders. Rockford Spine Center has earned national recognition in Newsweek, is ranked among the Top 50 Spine Surgery Practices to Know in Becker's Spine Review and has earned the Patients' Choice and Compassionate Doctor awards since 2011. For more information about Rockford Spine Center, visit the company's website at <a href="www.rockfordspine.com">www.rockfordspine.com</a> or find us on Facebook at <a href="www.facebook.com/RockfordSpine">www.facebook.com/RockfordSpine</a>.

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