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**THE OREGON CLINIC ANNOUNCES ADDITION OF WEST HILLS GASTROENTEROLOGY GROUP**

Addition to Group Expands Resources for Oregon Clinic Patients in Western Metropolitan Portland

PORTLAND, OR - April 1, 2008 -- The Oregon Clinic, one of Oregon's largest independent specialty physician practices, is pleased to announce the addition of the West Hills Gastroenterology group. The twelve-physician group joined The Oregon Clinic on March 31, 2008.

"The Oregon Clinic is proud to have the addition of this highly respected and skilled group of physicians. The West Hills Gastroenterology expands options for The Oregon Clinic's patients and referring physicians in the western Metropolitan area of Portland," says Craig Fausel, MD, President and gastroenterologist with The Oregon Clinic.

West Hills Gastroenterology physicians include Christopher Carter, MD, David Grunkemeier, MD, Larry Heinonen, MD, John Jendrzewski, MD, Alan Kaynard, MD, PhD, George Koval, MD, John Lobitz, MD, Michael Owens, MD, Douglas Shumaker, MD, Rodger Steven, MD, Cristian Vallejos, MD, Jeffrey Weprin, MD, Diane Williams, DO. The West Hills GI physicians bring a wide range of gastroenterology expertise and provide consultative services for gastroenterology and hepatology patients. West Hills Gastroenterology includes a state of the art outpatient endoscopy center specializing in colonoscopy screening and advanced ERCP, EUS and therapeutic endoscopy skills. All West Hills GI physicians will continue their practices at their current west side location and hospitals. There will be no disruption to the ongoing care of their patients.

"The Oregon Clinic is pleased to continue our long-standing collegial relationship with West Hills Gastroenterology in this new venture" said Phil Armstrong, Chief Operations Officer for The Oregon Clinic. "We are very pleased to continue our growth to meet the health needs of our patients and to provide a team approach to medicine."

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**About The Oregon Clinic**

The Oregon Clinic is one of the largest private specialty physician practices in Oregon. An evidence-based, multidisciplinary organization, The Oregon Clinic provides the highest quality care using a team approach to address medical conditions in the areas of cardiology, gastroenterology, neurology, pulmonology, urology, podiatry, otolaryngology, radiation and medical oncology, cardiothoracic surgery, general and minimally invasive gastrointestinal surgery, and imaging. The Oregon Clinic is committed to provide the highest quality care, practice data-driven medicine, provide leadership for the healthcare community, and offer respectful, compassionate service. It was founded in 1994 with the merger of several clinical groups in Portland, offering specialty care from Vancouver to Salem, and from Gresham to Astoria. For more information, visit The Oregon Clinic website at [www.orclinic.com](http://www.orclinic.com).