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## **DR. BYRD JOINS HALIFAX REGIONAL** *Office Moves to Medical Center Campus on October 31*

**ROANOKE RAPIDS, NC (October 17, 2011)—William E. Byrd, M.D., an internal medicine physician who specializes in rheumatology, has joined Halifax Regional and will be moving his office to the Medical Center’s campus October 31.**

Dr. Byrd operates Roanoke Valley Internal Medicine and Rheumatology. He came to Roanoke Rapids in 1982. In addition to his general medicine practice with adults, Dr. Byrd specializes in nonsurgical treatment of rheumatic illnesses, especially arthritis. Rheumatologists have special interests in unexplained rash, fever, arthritis, anemia, weakness, weight loss, fatigue, joint or muscle pain, autoimmune disease and anorexia.

Dr. Byrd’s office at 1724 E. 10<sup>th</sup> Street in Roanoke Rapids will close October 26 and reopen October 31 in Building 4 of Halifax Medical Plaza on the campus of the Medical Center, just off Smith Church Road.

The new office is larger and will be more convenient for patients who need imaging or lab services from Halifax Regional, says Dr. Byrd. “My patients will appreciate the new space, which has been designed with their needs in mind,” he added.

“Halifax Regional has developed an attractive medical park for physicians,” continued Dr. Byrd. “Patients benefit from having a broad range of services on one campus.”

Dr. Byrd says his medical philosophy is a “good fit” with Halifax Regional. “I am pleased to become part of the medical center,” he said. “Under the leadership of Will Mahone, Halifax Regional has expanded services and improved quality.”

A North Carolina native, Dr. Byrd is a graduate of the School of Medicine at UNC, completed his residency at Naval Regional Medical Center in Portsmouth, Virginia and completed a Fellowship in rheumatology at Duke University.

The office is welcoming new patients. Call 252 535-1082 for an appointment.

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