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NEW FAMILY PHYSICIAN COMING TO ROANOKE AND WILDWOOD CLINICS

ROANOKE RAPIDS, NC (April 1, 2011)--A board certified family physician will be moving to the Roanoke Valley in May. He is Dr. Chris Sorensen, who will join Roanoke and Wildwood Clinics.

Dr. Sorensen has nearly 20 years' experience in family medicine. He enjoys taking care of children and adults of all ages.

He comes to the Roanoke Valley from Pennsylvania. He is a graduate of the Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, a part of the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey. He completed his Residency at Sacred Heart Hospital in Allentown, New Jersey, where he was Chief Resident in 1993.

"A family doctor who knows and understands patients is their most valuable health partner," says Dr. Sorensen. "Everyone should have a family doctor who provides general care and coordinates care when a patient needs specialized services."

Roanoke Clinic and Wildwood Medical Clinic now are welcoming patients who want appointments with Dr. Sorensen. Call 252 537-9176 for an appointment at Roanoke Clinic. Call 252 537-9400 for an appointment at Wildwood, which is located at 2053 River Road in Henrico.

Roanoke and Wildwood Clinics provide care to patients beginning at age 3 and continuing throughout life. Services include general family healthcare and chronic illness management to immunizations and laboratory services.

"Halifax Regional is delighted that Dr. Sorensen has joined our staff," said Will Mahone, president. "Throughout the country, there is a shortage of family physicians, and patients are waiting weeks to get an appointment. With Dr. Sorensen coming, patients will be able to be seen promptly at Roanoke and Wildwood Clinics.

“Dr. Sorensen is a caring, kind and compassionate physician who will relate easily to patients,” added Mahone. “He communicates in language that people understand and takes their input seriously.”

Dr. Sorensen’s wife, Sheila, is from North Carolina. One reason they chose to live in Roanoke Valley is that it is conveniently located between Sheila’s family and his. Dr. Sorensen has two children, Erik, 15 and Nicolas, 11.

“We are impressed with the beauty of the area, the lakes and the friendly people,” he adds. “We are eager to become part of the community.” His hobbies include camping, boating and playing ice hockey.

Dr. Sorensen joins Dr. Kenneth Robert and Dr. Abraham Chaparro, also board certified, at Roanoke and Wildwood Clinics. In addition, Diana Dillard and Sharon Lynch, family nurse practitioners, and Cassandra Owens, physician’s assistant, treat patient at the clinics.

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