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ST. LUKE'S SLEEP MEDICINE AND RESEARCH CENTER NAMED BEST SLEEP FACILITY IN NATIONAL COMPETITION

"ADVANCE for Respiratory Care & Sleep Medicine's" National Sleep Achievement Awards recognize innovative patient care and exceptional community outreach.

Chesterfield, Mo., May 17, 2011 – St. Luke's Sleep Medicine and Research Center has been named Best Facility in "ADVANCE for Respiratory Care & Sleep Medicine's" National Sleep Achievement Awards competition.

St. Luke's Sleep Medicine and Research Center specializes in the diagnosis and treatment of all types of sleep disorders and offers two convenient locations – its St. Luke's Hospital facility in Chesterfield and its O'Fallon, Mo., facility on Highway K near O'Fallon Road.

"Quality sleep is vital to everyone's health and overall well-being," said James K. Walsh, St. Luke's Sleep Medicine and Research Center executive director and senior scientist. "We are proud to be named 'best sleep facility' and to provide patients of all ages the expertise of our seasoned team of sleep professionals to treat the full spectrum of sleep disorders."

Winners of the ninth annual National Sleep Achievement Awards were selected based on their proven ability to develop innovative programs to improve patient care and to provide exceptional community outreach, among other things.

"ADVANCE for Respiratory Care & Sleep Medicine" is a publication for healthcare professionals, providing information about trends related to sleep, pulmonology and respiratory care. St. Luke's Sleep Medicine and Research Center is featured in its May issue.

For more information about St. Luke's Sleep Medicine and Research Center, please visit www.stlukes-stl.com/sleep.

About St. Luke's Hospital:

St. Luke's Hospital, located in Chesterfield, Mo., is a regional healthcare provider committed to improving the quality of life for patients and the community. The 493-bed, not-for-profit hospital offers more than 60 specialty areas including cardiovascular care and surgery, cancer care, neurosurgery and neurology, orthopedics, maternity and other women's health, general medicine, outpatient services, pediatrics and comprehensive surgical services.

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- St. Luke's was the only Missouri hospital recognized in 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011 as an America's 50 Best Hospital™ by HealthGrades®, ranking among the top one percent in the nation based on superior clinical quality.
- St. Luke's Hospital is also part of the Spirit of Women® Hospital Network, a coalition of hospitals and healthcare providers across the United States that ascribes to the highest standards of excellence in women's health, education and community outreach. For more information about St. Luke's Hospital, please visit www.stlukes-stl.com/newsroom.

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