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## Four Esse Health Physicians Achieve Recognition by the National Committee for Quality Assurance and the American Diabetes Association

**St. Louis, MO (January 4, 2010)** – Esse Health physicians Dr. Susan Adams, Dr. Joyce Boehmer, Dr. Scott Anderson and Dr. Stephen Knapp received Recognition status by the National Committee for Quality Assurance and the American Diabetes Association in the Diabetes Recognition Program.

NCQA, in partnership with the American Diabetes Association, developed the Diabetes Recognition Program to recognize clinicians who have met standards demonstrating delivery of high-quality care to patients with diabetes. "Clinicians who earn recognition through the Recognition Program have an established track record of providing excellent diabetes care," said John Buse, M.D., PhD, President, Medicine & Science, American Diabetes Association. "The list of recognized clinicians is the first place to look if you or your loved one has been diagnosed with diabetes." NCQA is a private, non-profit organization dedicated to improving health care quality.

Over the past year, a total of eight Esse Health physicians have been awarded Recognition by the NCQA and the ADA.

## About Esse Health:

Esse Health is a St. Louis-based physician group that has managed the health care needs of St. Louis area patients since 1996. Esse is recognized as a leader in using technology in health care and physician accountability for both quality and cost-of-care. For more information on Esse Health, please visit www.essehealth.com.