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MEDIA ADVISORY

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Rutgers NJMS Student-Run Clinic Brings Health Care to the Homeless

Newark, N.J. - On Tuesday, November 11, New Jersey Medical School's (NJMS) Student Family Health Care Center (SFHCC), in collaboration with Christ Church in Short Hills, NJ, will host a ribbon-cutting ceremony for "The House Calls Project" at The Apostles' House in Newark, a shelter dedicated to the needs of homeless women and their children. "The House Calls Project" will provide homeless women and children with on-site primary and preventive health care services at the shelter.

SFHCC is one of the oldest institutions at Rutgers. Established after the 1967 riots to meet the needs of the medically underserved, this student-run clinic offers free, quality health care to the Newark community. Services include physical examinations, chronic disease management, gynecological care, and psychosocial counseling. All services are provided by volunteer medical students under the supervision of board-certified family physicians.

Event: Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony for "The House Calls Project"

Where: The Apostles' House 28-30 Grant Street Newark, N.J. 07104

When: Tuesday, November 11, 2014 at 12:00pm

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Celebrating its 60th anniversary, **Rutgers New Jersey Medical School** was founded in 1954 and is the oldest school of medicine in the state. Today it is part of Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey and graduates approximately 170 physicians a year. In addition to providing the MD degree, the school offers MD/PhD, MD/MPH and MD/MBA degrees through collaborations with other institutions of higher education. Dedicated to excellence in education, research, clinical care and community outreach, the medical school comprises 22 academic departments and works with several healthcare partners, including its principal teaching hospital, The University Hospital. Its faculty consists of numerous world-renowned scientists and many of the region's "top doctors." Home to the nation's oldest student-run clinic, New Jersey Medical School hosts more than 50 centers and institutes, including the Public Health Research Institute Center, the Global Tuberculosis Institute and the Neurological Institute of New Jersey. For more information please visit: <u>nims.rutgers.edu</u>.