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## MEDIA ADVISORY

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## **Rutgers New Jersey Medical School to Host Convocation Ceremony**

NEWARK, N.J.—On Monday, May 19, 170 graduates of Rutgers New Jersey Medical School will take part in the school's Convocation Ceremony, which will feature a keynote address by Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences Inaugural Chancellor Brian L. Strom, M.D., M.P.H. New Jersey Medical School's Convocation Ceremony is a time-honored event that recognizes and celebrates the achievements of the school's graduates. This year's group of graduates, the Class of 2014, represents the medical school's 60<sup>th</sup> class.

The ceremony, which will be presided over by New Jersey Medical School's Dean Robert L. Johnson, M.D., will also include special awards for faculty, including the Distinguished Citizen Award to the late Kenneth G. Swan, M.D., a beloved and longtime New Jersey Medical School faculty member who passed away suddenly in March.

- Event:
   Rutgers New Jersey Medical School's Convocation Ceremony
- Where:New Jersey Performing Arts Center1 Center Street, Newark

 When:
 Monday, May 19, 2014 at 10 a.m.

Founded in 1954, **Rutgers New Jersey Medical School** 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: njms.rutgers.edu