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First Group of FSU Medical Students Arrives at Sarasota Campus

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TALLAHASSEE, Fla.- The first group of Florida State University medical students to be assigned to the school's new Sarasota campus arrive this week for their orientation.

Students, campus administrators, faculty members, and representatives from participating hospitals will be available for interviews at:

11 A.M., THURSDAY, JULY 7

FSU COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

REGIONAL MEDICAL SCHOOL CAMPUS – SARASOTA

201 COCOANUT AVENUE

IN THE HISTORIC WEISSGERBER/FAMIGLIO HOUSE

The nine students will complete the third and fourth years of their medical education in the Sarasota area before going on to residency programs. More than 100 local physicians will be involved in training FSU medical students.

While in Sarasota, students will complete clinical rotations in a variety of community-based settings, including private practices, ambulatory care facilities and hospitals. Locally, the medical school is affiliated with Doctors Hospital of Sarasota and Sarasota Memorial Hospital. Required rotations are in internal medicine, family medicine, pediatrics, psychiatry, geriatrics, emergency medicine, surgery and obstetrics and gynecology. Students also complete fourth-year electives in various specialties.

After completing their first two years of medical school in Tallahassee on the university's main campus, FSU medical students complete their clinical training at regional campuses in Orlando, Pensacola, Sarasota or Tallahassee. Eventually, as many as 40 medical students will be assigned to the Sarasota campus.

The FSU College of Medicine was established in 2000 by the Florida Legislature and graduated its first class in May 2005. It currently has 223 medical students and five Ph.D. students enrolled.