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University of California, Irvine Launches Diabetes Center Web Site

IRVINE, Calif., Nov. 22, 2006 — The University of California, Irvine Center for Diabetes Treatment and Research launches its new Web site today. The center is the only comprehensive diabetes care center on the West Coast affiliated with the world renowned Joslin Diabetes Center in Boston. The center is at the forefront of research, drawing from multiple disciplines across UC Irvine.

“We are very pleased to be launching the center’s new Web site during the month of November, which is Diabetes Awareness month,” said Ping Wang, director, UC Irvine Center for Diabetes Treatment and Research. “Our mission is to be a center of integrity and responsibility dedicated to preventing diabetes, improving care and advancing science to find a cure. We hope the site will help us better serve our patients, health care professionals, researchers and diabetes communities locally and throughout the world.”

Visitors to the site can access information about diabetes care and education, clinical trials and studies, and university research related to diabetes.

To view the site, please go to <http://www.ucidiabetes.org>.

Some Facts About Diabetes

- Diabetes is the fifth leading cause of death in the U.S.
- 22 million people in the U.S. have diabetes
- 3.4 million Californians have diabetes
- In Orange County, 300,000 people suffer from diabetes and its complications
- 30% of our children will be diagnosed with diabetes in their lifetimes
- Diabetes accounts for \$132 billion per year in U.S. healthcare costs

About the UCI Diabetes Center

The University of California, Irvine’s Center for Diabetes Treatment and Research is the West Coast’s authority on diabetes treatment and research. As part of UC Irvine, a top-tier research institution, and through our affiliation with the world-renowned Joslin Diabetes Center in Boston, the center is at the forefront of patient care, education and research. To learn more, please visit www.ucidiabetes.org.

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