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ANOTHER DOSE OF GOOD NEWS FOR ISMIE MUTUAL DOCS

Base premium rate held flat for another year, marking fifth year of no increases.

Chicago, IL – ISMIE Mutual Insurance Company today announced that its base premium rates will not increase for the coming policy year. The insurer has maintained a streak of five years without an increase to the base rate premium paid by policyholders.

“ISMIE Mutual is extremely pleased that we have been able to hold rates steady in Illinois’ often volatile medical liability climate,” said ISMIE Chairman Harold L. Jensen, MD. “Our ability to keep rates in check is a testament to ISMIE’s stability and conservative management approach.”

The extension of ISMIE Mutual’s current base rates affects annual policies renewing on or after October 1, 2011 for the 2011-2012 policy year. The rate announcement is the second dose of good news for ISMIE policyholders so far in 2011. Earlier this year ISMIE informed policyholders that they will receive Cyber Liability coverage at no cost and that current eligible policyholders will receive a premium dividend. Since 2007, dividend dollars granted to policyholders total more than \$74 million.

Dr. Jensen stated that with “the increased use of medical data technology, Cyber Liability coverage has become essential for physicians and also provides peace of mind for patients.” In the event of an unauthorized disclosure or security breach, patients will be offered credit monitoring at no cost for up to 12 months.

ISMIE Mutual is also proud to announce that A.M. Best Co. recently upgraded ISMIE’s issuer credit rating to “bbb+” from “bbb” and affirmed ISMIE’s financial strength rating of B++ (Good). Both are validations of ISMIE Mutual’s financial strength and stability.

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ISMIE Mutual Insurance Company is the leading provider of medical liability insurance to approximately 12,000 Illinois physicians. Established in 1976 by the Illinois State Medical Society, the company is completely physician-owned and operated. ISMIE Chairman Harold L. Jensen, M.D. is a specialist in internal medicine from Frankfort, Illinois.