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JCAHO ACCREDITS ROCKLAND PLASTIC SURGERY AS SURGICAL CENTER

Pearl River Office Certified to Do Procedures On Premises

Pearl River, NY (June 30, 2005) – Today, Rockland Plastic Surgery (RPS) announced they have received the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organization's (JCAHO) Gold Seal of Approval by complying with their national standards for quality and safety. As a result of the accreditation, Doctors Michael Fiorillo, Hakan Usal, and Neal Goldberg are certified to perform surgery in their offices – a huge advantage for the safety of their patients.

“A lot of plastic surgeons perform procedures and surgeries in their offices, but few are certified to do so,” said Michael Fiorillo, MD of Rockland Plastic Surgery. “Being accredited by JCAHO demonstrates to our patients that our office to safety and quality healthcare. We at Rockland Plastic Surgery take a team approach to patient safety and this accreditation is a testament to our commitment.”

In order to receive JCAHO's accreditation, RPS underwent a thorough on-site evaluation against nearly 150 standards that promote quality care and patient safety. It was the decision of the doctors at to pursue this voluntary process in efforts to continue to establish itself as one of the preeminent plastic surgery centers in the New York Metropolitan area.

As the nation's leading evaluator of patient safety and health care quality in organizations, JCAHO has more than 50 years' experience in promoting patient safety and high quality care for individuals seeking care in health care organizations. JCAHO introduced office-based surgery standards in 2001 to provide oversight for small practices performing invasive procedures. .

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