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DARIEN PHYSICIAN ELECTED TO CT BOXING HALL OF FAME

Darien, Connecticut – July 25, 2011 – Dr. Michael Schwartz, a Darien physician specializing in Internal Medicine, has been elected to the Connecticut Boxing Hall of Fame.

Dr. Schwartz first became involved in ringside medicine in 1991 when he was appointed a ringside physician for the State of Connecticut. He was later named to the State's Medical Advisory Board in 1995. In 1997, he was named Chief Ringside Physician for the State of Connecticut. Dr. Schwartz also serves as the Chief Ringside Physician and Chairman of the Medical Advisory Board for both Foxwoods Resort Casino and Mohegan Sun Casino in Connecticut.

Committed to improving the safety and health of the professional boxer, Dr. Schwartz established the American Association of Professional Ringside Physicians (AAPRP) in 1997 and served as Chairman and President of the not-for-profit organization for 13 years. He has also served as Chairman of the Medical Advisory Board for the World Boxing Union and is a member of the Medical Advisory Board for the Association of Boxing Commissions (ABC) and the American Association for the Improvement of Boxing (AAIB). In 2002, Schwartz received the Rocky Marciano/AAIB Award as "Ringside Physician of the Year." In 2005, Dr. Schwartz was named the AAPRP "Ringside Physician of the Year" and was also named 2009 "Ringside Physician of the Year" by Ring 8. In 2010, Dr. Schwartz received the Connecticut Boxing Hall of Fame - Outstanding Contribution to Boxing Award.

Dr. Schwartz has lectured extensively on boxing safety throughout the world including South Africa, Thailand, and France. He has testified on boxing safety at the National Association of Attorneys General (NAAG) hearings in New York City and for the New York State Assembly on Boxing Reform. He also testified at a Congressional Hearing on boxing safety in Washington, DC supporting Senator John McCain's federal legislation designed to develop a national boxing commission. Dr. Schwartz has been published in *Boxing Digest* and *RingSports Magazines*. He also has contributed to several medical boxing books, including the upcoming revision of "Medicine and Boxing" - scheduled to be released in late 2011. He has appeared on ESPN's *Friday Night Boxing*, HBO's *Real Sports with Bryant Gumbel* and on the *Donny Deutsch Show* discussing ringside safety. He has worked at hundreds of boxing matches including the infamous first fight between Mickey Ward ("The Fighter" movie) and Arturo Gatti. Dr. Schwartz was a featured speaker at this year's induction ceremony at the International Boxing Hall of Fame in Canastota, NY honoring Sylvester Stallone and Mike Tyson.

Currently, he is an advisor for the World Boxing Council (WBC) and the Universal Boxing Organization (UBO). He is also a Clinical Instructor - Yale University Department of Medicine and an Assistant Clinical Professor - New York Medical College Department of Medicine

Dr. Schwartz received a BA and BS from the State University of New York at Stony Brook in Earth and Space Science and Cardio-Respiratory Sciences. He received his DO degree from the New York College of Osteopathic Medicine and completed his residency in Internal Medicine at Yale University School of Medicine/Norwalk Hospital Program. Dr. Schwartz and his wife Laura have two children, Danielle and Andrew. He is affiliated with Soundview Medical Associates, located at 50 Old Kings Highway North, Darien, Connecticut.

The Hall of Fame induction ceremony will take place at the Mohegan Sun Resort Casino on October 29, 2011.