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Brown & Toland Ranked “Elite” Among Physician Groups

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. (Dec. 1, 2008) For the second year in a row, Brown & Toland Physicians ranked as one of the top medical groups in California as measured by a California Association of Physician Groups (CAPG) survey. CAPG is the nation’s largest professional organization of physician groups practicing managed care.

“For the second year we’re at the elite level,” said Brown & Toland Chief Medical Officer Stan Padilla, M.D. “That’s something to be proud of.”

This year, 87 medical groups that care for 11.1 million HMO patients participated in CAPG’s Standards of Excellence survey. The program recognizes quality in three areas: care management, health information technology and accountability and transparency.

Brown & Toland scored in the Elite tier as defined by the association. Those in the second tier are Exemplary while those in the third (and above a minimum point total) are deemed Meritorious.

To learn more about the Standards of Excellence Project, visit www.capg.org.

About Brown & Toland

Brown & Toland Physicians has 1,500 doctors caring for close to 190,000 HMO and approximately 100,000 PPO patients. Brown & Toland receives numerous awards for its medical excellence and preventative health care services. For more about Brown & Toland, visit www.browntoland.com.