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Georgia Doctors Award Dekalb Physician for Distinguished Service

ATLANTA – Dekalb physician, Jean Staton, M.D., was awarded the 2005 Joseph P. Bailey Jr., M.D. Distinguished Service Award at the Medical Association of Georgia's 151st Annual House of Delegates in October.

First presented in 1960, the Award is presented for distinguished and meritorious service that reflects credit and honor on the Association.

Dr. Staton graduated from Emory University School of Medicine and later practiced general internal medicine until 1991 in Decatur, GA.

Following retirement, Staton took on the role of Medical Director for the Physicians' Care Clinic, established by the Dekalb Medical Society in December of 1992. As the key volunteer physician, the clinic has flourished under her direction with the aid of other volunteer physicians, nurses and pharmacists. In her capacity as Medical Director, she sees patients on an established basis and is on call 24 hours a day to answer questions and assist staff with day-to-day operation of the clinic.

In addition to her volunteer work at the clinic, Staton has served as President and Chairman of the Board of Georgia State Arthritis Foundation, President of the Emory Medical Alumni Association, and President of the Emory Alumni Association. She is also the former Chief of Medicine at Wesley Woods Geriatric Hospital and a member of the Board of Trustees of the Wesley Homes.

Staton has previously received the Award of Honor from the Emory University Medical School and the National Award from the Arthritis Foundation.

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