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Fishers Pediatric Dentistry Earns Place Among Indiana's Safest Workplaces

FISHERS, IND. (Nov. 7, 2012) – With its unwavering commitment to employee health and safety, Fishers Pediatric Dentistry is the first dental office in Indiana to be inducted into the Indiana Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program (INSHARP). Fewer than 50 Hoosier workplaces have been able to achieve this sought-after certification.

To participate in INSHARP, a company must develop and implement an exceptional worker safety and health program, maintain occupational injury and illness rates below the national industry average and pass a facility review by rigorously trained health and safety consultants.

"In business, there's nothing more important than keeping your employees safe and healthy," said Department of Labor Commissioner Lori Torres. "The employees of Fisher's Pediatric Dentistry exceed the standard for businesses across the state through their managerial involvement, employee feedback programs and history of providing a safe environment."

Founded in 1996, Fishers Pediatric Dentistry specializes in the comprehensive dental care of infants, children, adolescents and patients with special healthcare needs. The company blends modern dental technology with the tropical motifs of founder Dr. Ana Vázquez's Puerto Rican homeland. Fishers Pediatric Dentistry currently employs 43 Hoosiers who will be celebrating their INSHARP achievement at their Fishers location Nov. 7.

To learn more about the INSHARP program, or to apply for an INSHARP certification, visit <u>www.in.gov/dol/2382.htm</u>.

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