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JFK Johnson Rehabilitation Institute

New Technology To Be Showcased at Abilities Expo

Edison, NJ—During the weekend of April 21, 2006 JFK Johnson Rehabilitation Institute will be participating in Abilities Expo, a trade show dedicated to improving the lives of those with disabilities.

JRI, one of the largest rehabilitation hospitals in New Jersey, will be one of many facilities, businesses, and organizations on hand to communicate and demonstrate how their products and services serve and benefit the physically challenged. The show will be held at the New Jersey Convention Center, 73 Sunfield Avenue in Edison beginning Friday, April 21 and running through Sunday, April 23. Hours are Friday and Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Abilities Expo offers individuals with disabilities, caregivers, and businesses and organizations that serve the disabled an opportunity to learn about the wealth of products and services on the market that are designed to make their lives easier. From computers to athletic equipment, mobility products to living aids, Abilities Expo showcases the world of products and services for the disabled all under one roof. JRI staff will be available to demonstrate and discuss various adaptive devices, communication aids, and environmental controls.

“Only at the Abilities Expo can you explore the most recent advances in technology, as well as test new products, participate in workshops, and talk on-on-one with service providers,” comments Harriet Findlay, MA, CRC, LRC Director of Vocational Rehabilitation at JRI.

Representatives from JRI will be present to showcase the latest technologies offered through JRI and answer questions regarding physical, occupational, pediatric, vocational rehabilitation, prosthetics and orthotics, speech therapies and other audiology services.

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“For over 30 years, JRI has focused on the challenges facing the disabled and ways that we can aid their well-being and improve their quality of life. Our presence at the Expo is representative of that commitment,” says Findlay. This is the 16th year JRI has participated in the Expo.

To learn more about the expo contact Bob Silvestri at the JFK/JRI Prosthetic and Orthotic Lab at (732) 248-0774. Or to register to attend the event, visit www.abilitiesexpo.org.

Entrance fee is \$5 at the door, children under 12 enter free of charge, and VIP passes are available.

Founded in 1974, The JFK Johnson Rehabilitation Institute is a major component of Solaris Health System, one of New Jersey’s most comprehensive healthcare networks. The JFK Johnson Rehabilitation Institute headquartered at the JFK Medical Center in Edison is a comprehensive rehabilitative service provider focused on educating the community on rehabilitative health and helping adults and children with disabilities reach optimal function and independence. The Institute offers a complete array of inpatient and outpatient programs and services in rehabilitative health, including stroke, orthopedics, prosthetic and orthotics, electrodiagnosis, fitness, cardiac, women's health, pain management, pediatrics, speech pathology and audiology, industrial and vocational

rehab, and brain injury rehabilitation programs and services. JRI includes a 94-bed inpatient center in Edison. Outpatient centers are located in Edison, Metuchen, Monroe, and Plainfield. Affiliated with the JFK Johnson Rehabilitation Institute is the Shore Rehabilitation Institute, a 40-bed inpatient and outpatient comprehensive rehabilitation hospital located in Brick, NJ. The Rehab Medicine Department at JRI also serves as the Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation for UMDNJ, Robert Wood Johnson Medical School. JFK Johnson Rehabilitation Institute is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) for its Comprehensive Inpatient Rehabilitation, Brain Injury, and Comprehensive Vocational Evaluation programs. For more information on The JFK Johnson Rehabilitation Institute, call 732-321-7790 or visit the organization online at <http://www.njrehab.org>.

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