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**Medical Society of Delaware names Dr. Kahlon
for Annual Young Physician Award 2005**

(Wilmington - October 22, 2005) – At the dinner for the 216th Annual Meeting of the Medical Society of Delaware, outgoing President James Marvel, Jr. MD announced this year’s Annual Young Physician Award recipient as Randeep Kahlon MD.

Dr. Kahlon, a partner of First State Orthopaedics, was chosen for his leadership and his service to numerous state and national medical organizations and boards. His participation and leadership are exemplary not only for colleagues of similar age, but for all physicians. His positive influence will serve well the future of organized medicine in our state.

“His dedication to organized medicine and advocacy on behalf of both patients and physicians is why Dr. Kahlon is so deserving of this award. His future is bright for improving patient care in the state of Delaware,” said Kelly Eschbach, MD, current President-Elect of the Medical Society of Delaware and the first recipient of this award in 2002.

Dr. Kahlon helped establish the Orthopaedic Trauma Service at ChristianaCare, a national model at community Level 1 Trauma centers. Earlier this year, Dr. Kahlon performed the first-ever carbon finger joint replacement in Delaware. In 2003, Dr. Kahlon was chosen as Delaware’s Young Surgeon of the year by the American College of Surgeons, Delaware chapter. He lectures regularly at the University of Delaware and is the only double fellowship-trained orthopedist in Delaware, having completed fellowships in both hand surgery and sports medicine at the Cleveland Clinic. Dr. Kahlon is a Hockessin resident and has also served on the Board of his community’s civic association.



Additional information about Dr. Kahlon can be found at www.fsortho.com/physicians/kahlon.html

Attendees at the dinner included the Hon. Terry Spence, US Sen. Thomas Carper, & ChristianaCare CEO Robert Laskowski MD. Also, announced at the dinner were the new officers for the Medical Society of Delaware for 2005-2006. President – Janice Tildon-Burton MD; Vice President - Nicholas Biasotto DO; Secretary - Joseph Rubacky III, DO; Treasurer – Garth Koniver, MD.