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**MAZZONI CENTER ADDS SECOND FULL-TIME PHYSICIAN
TO ITS FAMILY & COMMUNITY MEDICAL PRACTICE IN CENTER CITY**

July 6, 2010 ó Mazzoni Center announced the appointment of Andrew Goodman, M.D., as a full-time staff physician, effective July 1. Dr. Goodman recently completed his residency at the University of Pennsylvania, and has served as a volunteer clinician since September 2009 at Mazzoni Center's Youth Drop-In program, which provides free medical care on a drop-in basis to young people aged 14-24. He is the fourth family physician, and the second full-time physician, to be hired at Mazzoni Center.

“We are thrilled to be adding Dr. Goodman to our staff, as his commitment to patient-centered primary care and his years of advocacy work for the LGBT communities places him squarely in line with our mission,” said Dr. Robert Winn, Medical Director at Mazzoni Center. “In recent years our patient roster has grown tremendously and the addition of another full time physician will allow us to sustain and to build on that growth,” Winn added.

“When we opened our health center in 2002 with Dr. Winn as both medical director and the only physician at part time, we did not imagine that the growth would be so swift,” Mazzoni Center executive director Nurit Shein said, adding, “the success of our family practice is a testimony to the needs of our community and the professional quality of our clinicians. We welcome Dr. Goodman to our “family” and know that his dedication and compassion will add to an already caring staff.”

Dr. Goodman spent the last three years at the University of Pennsylvania's Department of Family and Community Medicine, where his training included an emphasis on primary care for inner-city populations, inpatient care, maternity/gynecologic care, and community health. He pursued additional training in LGBT cultural competency, HIV/AIDS care, and transgender medicine.

“I chose family medicine because I wanted to improve the health and well-being of my community. I can think of no better place in Philadelphia to do that work than here at Mazzoni Center,” Dr. Goodman said. He added: “Joining this practice is an incredible opportunity, and I look forward to building relationships and providing care over the coming years.”

Dr. Goodman is a graduate of Western Michigan University, where he received a BA in biochemistry. He received his MD from Wayne State University School of Medicine in Detroit, where he was Student Chair of LGBT People in Medicine. He lives in Center City Philadelphia.

About Mazzoni Center Family & Community Medicine

Mazzoni Center Family & Community Medicine (MCFCM), located at 809 Locust St., offers comprehensive primary health care in an LGBT-focused environment with a staff of dedicated and compassionate professionals that include family physicians, nurse practitioners, and medical assistants. Their services include routine health care, preventive health services, gynecology, sexual health services and chronic disease management, including comprehensive HIV care. All of Mazzoni Center’s HIV clinicians are AAHIVM (American Academy of HIV Medicine)-certified specialists. MCFCM is located next to the campus of Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, where it has admitting privileges, and often refers patients to specialists within the Jefferson Health System. Mazzoni Center accepts most insurance policies and offers sliding scale payment based on income for those who need it. Through its partnership with Walgreens Pharmacy, Mazzoni Center offers a full-service pharmacy with a special expertise in HIV/AIDS, located directly adjacent to its 809 Locust St. offices.

Established in 1979, **Mazzoni Center** provides quality comprehensive health and wellness service and is the only health care provider in the Philadelphia region specifically targeting the unique health care needs of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) communities. Mazzoni offers a full array of outreach, prevention, education, direct medical and care services, psychosocial services, legal services, and support groups, and is dedicated preserving the dignity and improving the quality of life of the individuals it serves. It is the oldest AIDS service organization in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and the fourth-oldest in the U.S. With over 30,000 individuals benefiting annually from its services, Mazzoni Center is a leader among community-based organizations in the greater Philadelphia area, with a reputation for excellence and innovation in service delivery to its constituents. More information at:

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