LOCAL PHYSICIAN BARRY J. WU, M.D., FACP, RECEIVES NATIONAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING

(PHILADELPHIA – April 30, 2002) – New Haven’s Barry J. Wu, M.D., FACP, has been awarded the National Association of Inpatient Physicians’ fifth annual Award for Excellence in Teaching. Dr. Wu was recognized by NAIP for his “exemplary role as a teacher, academician, mentor and role model in hospital medicine.”

The award was presented at NAIP’s annual meeting held in Philadelphia April 9-10. NAIP is the premier U.S. medical society representing hospitalists, physicians whose primary professional focus is the general medical care of hospitalized patients.

Dr. Wu has been a hospital teaching attending since 1993 at the Hospital of Saint Raphael, a 511-bed community teaching hospital affiliated with Yale University School of Medicine. He teaches residents in internal medicine as well as medical students from Yale. Despite being away from the main Yale campus, Dr. Wu became the first Yale clinical faculty to receive two prestigious teaching awards the same year. At the 1999 Commencement Ceremonies, Dr. Wu won both the Charles Bohmfalk Teaching Prize and the Francis Gilman Blake Teaching Award. In 2001, after instituting several innovative education programs, he led the Connecticut Chapter of ACP–ASIM to receive a national Evergreen Award, and he was honored with the Connecticut ACP–ASIM Laureate Award.

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Dr. Wu graduated with AΩA honors from the University of Rochester School of Medicine in 1989. He did his internal medicine residency at Yale University, and he is currently an associate clinical professor at Yale.

The NAIP was established in 1997 specifically to support and enhance the practice of hospitalists and the patients they serve. Hospitalists’ activities include patient care, research, teaching and leadership related to hospital care. Currently there are 5,000-6,000 hospitalists nationwide. This number is expected to grow fourfold by the end of the decade.