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**QUINCY MEDICAL CENTER MEDICAL STAFF PRESENTS
FREDERICK C. DOLGIN AWARD TO CHARLES RIPPBERGER, MD**

Quincy, MA (June 16, 2011) – Quincy Medical Center (QMC) medical staff presented the 2011 Frederick C. Dolgin, MD, Award to Charles Rippberger, MD, of Sharon, MA. The Dolgin Award is presented annually to a QMC physician, clinician or staff person in recognition of exceptional service and a lifelong commitment to improving the health of the community. QMC Medical Staff President Thomas E. Fitzgerald, MD, (left) presented the award to Dr. Rippberger.

Dr. Rippberger is the Chief of Medicine and Medical Director of Geriatrics at Quincy Medical Center. He has been a member of the Quincy Medical Center medical staff since 1982 and serves as medical director for a number of local skilled nursing facilities. His expertise in geriatric in medicine has been instrumental in the development of Quincy Medical Center's Center for Healthy Aging, which provides a continuum of programs and services geared specifically to best meet the specialized needs of patients over the age of 65.

The Frederick C. Dolgin Award was established in 2004 in recognition of Dr. Frederick Dolgin, a QMC-affiliated physician who served as Medical Director of Manet Community Health Center for more than 20 years.

Quincy Medical Center is a 196-bed acute care community-teaching hospital, providing the highest quality, most personalized and comprehensive medical and surgical services to patients throughout the South Shore. A private, nonprofit hospital, QMC has played a vital role in the community since 1890, serving the needs of its diverse patient population without exception. Quincy Medical Center is uniquely positioned for the health care system of the future, as it is a high value provider with outcomes at or better than most national quality benchmarks and it delivers this care in a cost efficient manner as one of the lowest cost providers in the region. QMC has a clinical affiliation with Tufts Medical Center.

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