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Wills Eye Joins Philadelphia International Medicine

Wills Eye Institute, one the best eye care centers in the United States and consistently ranked within the top three by *U.S. News & World Report*, has joined the Philadelphia International Medicine (PIM) network of leading hospitals. PIM will now handle international referrals, case reviews, appointments, support services and billing for Wills Eye Institute, effective immediately.

“Wills Eye has a global reputation as a leader in the treatment of eye diseases and PIM is proud to list this prestigious eye care center as a member of its network,” said Leonard Karp, president and CEO of PIM.

Under the new arrangement, one phone call to Philadelphia International Medicine at 215-563-4733 will speed the processing of patient referrals, case reviews, and medical appointments to Wills Eye. PIM will schedule appointments at Wills, and coordinate patient care for those patients who will need medical examinations at adult or pediatric hospitals prior to surgery. PIM will also process international billing. International patients will be eligible for discounted services according to Wills Eye policy. “The new collaboration between Wills Eye and PIM will ease patient coordination between hospitals and physicians; enhance communication with embassy staff, and improve the patient experience,” said Karp.

PIM also continues to have capabilities across all adult and pediatric specialties. For instance, several PIM hospitals perform organ transplants, which increases the actual number of transplants available and still be within the US quota system. Each of our transplant centers can still accommodate liver, kidney and heart transplants this year, as well as bone marrow transplants. We have already fulfilled the number of available lung transplants this year, however.

Other hospitals and their physicians in the PIM Network include: **Nemours/Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children, Fox Chase Cancer Center, Kennedy Health System, Jefferson Home Care, St. Christopher's Hospital for Children, Temple University Hospital and Thomas Jefferson University Hospital.** To schedule an appointment for an international patient at Wills Eye Institute or any of the PIM hospitals or physicians, just call PIM at 215-563-4733.