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Governor

Ana M. Viamonte Ros, M.D., M.P.H.  
State Surgeon General

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Dear Friends:

It is with great pleasure that I announce the opening of the nomination period for the Florida State Surgeon General 2009-2010 Health Innovation Prevention and Management Awards. My intent is to celebrate individuals, organizations, businesses, or programs for identifying innovative and creative approaches in addressing rising healthcare concerns within their communities.

The first annual 2009-2010 Health Innovation Prevention and Management Awards will honor the impressive efforts made in communities throughout the State to assist Floridians in achieving better health.

The selection process and criteria for nominees are specified in the instructions, nomination, and rating forms enclosed. In order for to be considered, all nominations must be complete and received by Deputy Secretary Kimberly Berfield no later than Monday, August 31, 2009. The material included in this package is also available online at <http://www.doh.state.fl.us/statesurgeongeneral.htm>.

I encourage you to support and share this opportunity with those who have truly influenced and positively impacted the health of their local environment. I would respectfully request that you list this information in your organization's newsletter and other publications, to ensure that everyone is aware of this opportunity to celebrate the great things that are taking place with the health of all Floridians.

Thank you in advance for your support of the Florida State Surgeon General 2009-2010 Health Innovation Prevention and Management Awards.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ana M. Viamonte Ros".

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Enclosures