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**Children's Mercy Cardiologist Named Governor of the Missouri Chapter of the American College of Cardiology**

*Geetha Raghuvver, MD, MPH, F.A.C.C., will begin her two-year term in 2012*

**Kansas City, Mo – November 28, 2011** – [Geetha Raghuvver, MD, MPH, F.A.C.C.](#), pediatric cardiologist with the section of [Cardiology](#) at Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics, has been elected as the incoming Governor of the [Missouri Chapter of the American College of Cardiology](#).

Dr. Raghuvver's two-year term begins in 2012. Her duties include representing the needs and opinions of the members within the area, implementing the American College of Cardiology national initiatives on the state level where appropriate, and actively participating in the Board of Governors, advising the College of the opinions of the membership and informing members of the policies and actions of the College.

"I look forward to carrying out the mission of the American College of Cardiology," Dr. Raghuvver says. "By serving in this role, I will help lead the way to optimal cardiovascular care and disease prevention through health policy, standards and guidelines, and support of cardiovascular research."

Dr. Raghuvver has been a member of the Missouri Chapter of the American College of Cardiology since 2008, most recently serving as a Councilor for the first district. She replaces Greg C. Flaker, MD, F.A.C.C., with the University of Missouri Hospitals & Clinics, Columbia, Mo.

The Missouri Chapter of the American College of Cardiology includes more than 400 physicians, nurses, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, pharmacists, and practice managers from across the state of Missouri.

The mission of the American College of Cardiology is to advocate for quality cardiovascular care through education, research promotion, development and application of standards and guidelines—and to influence health care policy. It includes more than 5,000 members from over 100 countries.

**About Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics**

Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics, located in Kansas City, Mo., is one of the nation's top pediatric medical centers. The 317-bed hospital provides care for children from birth through the age of 18, and has been recognized by the American Nurses Credentialing Center with Magnet designation for excellence in nursing services, and ranked by *U.S. News & World Report* as one of "America's Best Children's Hospitals." Its faculty of 600 pediatricians and researchers across more than 40 subspecialties are actively involved in clinical care, pediatric research, and educating the next generation of pediatric subspecialists. For more information about Children's Mercy and its research, visit [childrensmercy.org](http://childrensmercy.org) or download our mobile phone app *CMH4YOU* for all phone types. For breaking news and videos, follow us on [Twitter](#), [YouTube](#) and [Facebook](#).

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