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Sport & Spine Therapy of Marin and Novato Back Care & Sports Physical Therapy Announce Merger

Combined clinics boast complementary suite of services and top physical therapists

Novato, CA, January 1, 2009 — Sport & Spine Therapy of Marin, a prominent physical therapy clinic in Marin County announced today that it is merging with Novato Back Care & Sports Physical Therapy, a well-known physical therapy clinic that has been in operation for over 20 years. Novato Back Care & Sports Physical Therapy will change its name to Sport & Spine Therapy of Marin effective January 1, 2009.

Owner Steve Thompson, who purchased Novato Back Care & Sports Physical Therapy early last year said, "This merger will effectively create a unified vision for our two clinics and provide better and easier communication with our patients. It allows us to share resources and build a robust business centered on great care, superior service and strong community ties."

Former owner and founder, Cheryl Lind, who remains on staff, said, "Steve has incredible talent and vision. He also genuinely cares about the patients we treat. With the merger in place, we can concentrate on continuing to attract the best clinical talent to support our patients and our community. In addition, we will have some exciting new programs, classes and services to announce soon."

Sport & Spine Therapy of Marin's San Anselmo clinic is located at 220 Greenfield Avenue. It opened in August 2006 primarily to address the needs of athletes. It has six full-time employees. The Novato clinic is located at 165 Rowland Way, Suite 101. It opened in 1987 and has 13 employees. Both clinics serve patients throughout the Bay Area.

About Sport & Spine Therapy of Marin, Inc.

Sport & Spine Therapy of Marin is a full-service physical therapy organization that provides preventative and post-operative care for a variety of orthopedic related disorders and sports-related injuries. It also provides treatment for neurologically-related injuries and rehabilitation of injured workers.

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