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Dr. Stewart Gordon and Health Centers in Schools to be Honored Thursday for Outstanding Service to Baton Rouge Children

Baton Rouge, LA – For outstanding service to Baton Rouge children, **Dr. Stewart Gordon of LSU Health Sciences Center and Health Centers in Schools, a local non-profit organization will be honored at a luncheon held by the Children's Coalition of Greater Baton Rouge (CCGBR).** The *For the Love of Children Luncheon and Award Ceremony* is Thursday, February 10 at 11:00 a.m. at the Louisiana Resource Center for Educators (LRCE) at 5550 Florida Blvd. in Baton Rouge. Cost to attend the luncheon is \$35.00 which includes a one year membership to the Coalition.

In 2010 the **Children's Coalition began the *For the Love of Children Award* to recognize one individual and one organization/agency in the community whose performance demonstrated collaborative work with other individuals and agencies, and advocacy efforts for the children of Greater Baton Rouge.** The CCGBR is a collective force united to effect community change to improve the lives of children and families through partnership and advocacies in the Capital City Area. The group recognizes that collaboration with other individuals and organizations strengthens relationships, extends networking capabilities, and improves the ability to reach the children they seek to serve.

Stewart T. Gordon, MD practices at LSU Health Sciences' Earl K. Long Medical Center Pediatric Clinic in Baton Rouge and has been a pediatrician for over 20 years. Very involved in children's causes in Baton Rouge for many years, Dr. Gordon has served on the boards of several non-profit organizations advocating for children. Formerly a "Top 40 Under 40" for the *Greater Baton Rouge Business Report*, Dr. Gordon received his medical doctorate from the LSU School of Medicine in New Orleans and completed his residency at the former Charity Hospital in New Orleans.

Health Centers in Schools (HCS) is a non-profit organization in Baton Rouge that manages eleven school-based health centers and the school nurse program in East Baton Rouge Parish. The organization provides free school-based health care for over 45,000 children in over 90 East Baton Rouge Parish Public Schools, the Recovery School District and charter schools. With parents' consent, HCS helps ALL children, regardless of income get the preventive and emergency health care they need to be able to stay in school and learn. HCS recently completed the third annual Flu Vaccination Program in East Baton Rouge vaccinating nearly 8000 students.

For more information about the Children's Coalition of Greater Baton Rouge or to attend the award luncheon, please contact Yvonne Giron at (225) 389-1400 or email 4kids@ccofgbr.org.