

**Greenfield physician is honored by Franklin District Medical Society
as 2012 Community Clinician of the Year**

Waltham – March 28 – Daniel Zinn, M.D., a pediatrician at the Community Health Center of Franklin County, has been honored as the 2012 Community Clinician of the Year by his physician peers of the Franklin District Medical Society. The Community Clinician of the Year Award was established in 1998 by the Massachusetts Medical Society to recognize a physician from each of the Society's 20 district medical societies who has made significant contributions to his or her patients and the community and who stands out as a leading advocate and caregiver. The award is being presented at the District Society's annual meeting April 5 in Sunderland.

Dr. Zinn has been practicing medicine in Franklin County for nearly 35 years. From July 1979 to October 2010, he was in the private practice of pediatrics and has been on the staff of Baystate Franklin Medical Center since 1979. He joined the staff of the Community Health Center in November of 2010.

In nominating him for the award, his colleagues said Dr. Zinn is "a superb clinician, well respected by his patients, their parents, and colleagues."

For the last 20 years, Dr. Zinn has been chairman of the Nursery Committee at Baystate Franklin Medical Center and was an instructor for 10 years for the Neonatal Resuscitation Program. From 1999-2005 he served as a medical volunteer in Haiti.

Dr. Zinn received his bachelor's degree in biology from McPherson College in McPherson, Kansas and earned his medical degree from the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston, Texas. He served his internship at the University of Marburg Hospital in Marburg, Germany from 1971-1972 and was medical officer of the Lassa General Hospital in Lassa, Nigeria from 1973-1975. He completed his residency in pediatrics at Children's Mercy Hospital in Kansas City, Missouri from 1976-1979.

The Massachusetts Medical Society, with more than 23,000 physicians and student members, is dedicated to educating and advocating for the patients and physicians of Massachusetts. The Society publishes the New England Journal of Medicine, a leading global medical journal and web site, and Journal Watch alerts and newsletters covering 13 specialties. The Society is also a leader in continuing medical education for health care professionals throughout Massachusetts, conducting a variety of medical education programs for physicians and health care professionals. Founded in 1781, MMS is the oldest continuously operating medical society in the country.