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DEAN MEAD HELPS COLLEGE OF MEDICINE REACH ITS SCHOLARSHIP GOAL

ORLANDO, Fla., - Dean Mead, a law firm with offices in Orlando, Fort Pierce and Viera, helped the University of Central Florida College of Medicine make history by becoming the first medical school in the country to offer scholarships to its entire charter class.

Dean Mead endowed the College's first scholarship.

"Endowing a scholarship at the University of Central Florida's College of Medicine was a natural fit for our law firm," said Michael Minton, president of Dean Mead. "Supporting educational opportunities is a guiding principle of our philanthropic endeavors. Coupled with our firm's legal representation of physicians, research and educational institutions and biotechnology companies, it was a good business decision."

In January 2007, Dr. Deborah German, dean of the College of Medicine, announced her goal of providing scholarships to every member of the charter class, which will

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commence in Fall 2009. Such a bold initiative was necessary to attract the brightest students to the new medical school. Dean Mead's Minton, together with Rasesh Thakkar of Tavistock Group, helped Dean German develop a plan to solicit the scholarships from local businesses. The three formed and serve as co-chairs of the University of Central Florida College of Medicine Scholarship Committee.

The Committee reached its goal of securing scholarships for all 40 members of the charter class. Construction of the College's new campus is currently underway in the "Medical City" section of Lake Nona in East Orlando.

About Dean Mead

Dean Mead provides full-service legal representation to businesses throughout Florida. The firm's Healthcare and Life Sciences Team has been a leader in Central Florida with respect to its representation of healthcare providers. Dean Mead has more than 45 lawyers practicing in Orlando, Fort Pierce and Viera.

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