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BayCare Clinic Surgeon Jon Henry, MD Returns from Third Tour of Duty

Green Bay, WI, February 29, 2008 – Jon Henry, MD of BayCare Clinic Orthopaedic Surgery and Sports Medicine, returned to the U.S. in late December after completing his third U.S. Army Reserve overseas tour of duty – this time in Afghanistan.

During this latest tour, Dr. Henry worked as an orthopaedic surgeon as part of a Forward Surgical Team. They were located on a remote base in Farah Province, which is in the southwestern part of Afghanistan. The primary mission of the team was to care for U.S. and coalition soldiers; their secondary mission was to provide life and limb saving treatment for Afghan civilians.

They also did a fair amount of humanitarian medical work as part of the effort to win the trust and support of the local population. One of these humanitarian efforts included doing surgery on a young Afghan boy with clubfoot, which helped garner respect and appreciation towards the U.S. troops from the local citizens.

Dr. Henry's first tour, in 2003, was also in Afghanistan. His second tour was to Iraq in 2004. For both these tours, Dr. Henry was part of a Combat Support Hospital, which is more of a referral center.

While on his tours, Dr. Henry was moved by the U.S. soldiers he got to know and work with. “With few exceptions, despite significant difficulties our soldiers perform their duties with honor and without complaint” says Dr. Henry. “Their work ethic, personal strength, pride and dedication are most inspiring to me.”

His experience after having served in other parts of the world has given him some takeaways: an understanding of the tremendous value and cost of our freedom; the importance of the American soldier to maintain that freedom; the incredible privileges we have as Americans.

Dr. Henry admits that his most difficult challenge while gone was leaving behind his family and medical practice. On tour, the thing he looked forward to most on a daily basis was the correspondence from home: conversations with his wife and kids via internet phone service, e-mail and mail. He returned home to his wife, Annette and four children, Ben, Katie, Michael and Gretchen.

Dr. Henry practices with Dr. Shawn Hennigan, Dr. Robert Limoni, Dr. Michael Schnaubelt and Dr. Isidoro Zambrano at BayCare Clinic Orthopaedic Surgery and Sport Medicine, whose main office is located at 2845 Greenbrier Road, Green Bay.

BayCare Clinic (www.baycare.net) is the largest physician-owned specialty-care clinic in Northeast Wisconsin and the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. It is comprised of 100 specialty physicians with expertise in more than 20 specialties. BayCare Clinic physicians have served patients in Green Bay and the surrounding region for over 25 years.

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Dr. Henry is available for interview. Photos attached can be used as part of a story.