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Contact: Vito Trifiletti 309/556-3181**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE***(Milwaukee/Madison, Sci & Tech)*

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BLOOMINGTON, Ill.--Sally Peck Lundeen is one of 33 people nationwide named a Primary Care Policy Fellow by the Health Resources and Service Administration (HRSA), a division of the U.S. Public Health Service in Washington D.C.

Lundeen has been an associate professor of nursing at the University of Wisconsin-Madison since 1985. In 1987 she started the *Silver Spring Community Nursing Center* in Milwaukee with the help of the state of Wisconsin, the Kellogg Foundation, the Bader Foundation and other private donors. Lundeen serves as project director for the center, hiring and directing a staff of advanced degree nurses, medical students, undergraduate and master's nursing students, along with student social workers, to provide diverse health care services to the poor in inner-city Milwaukee, where few families have health insurance.

-Grant Information-

In an attempt to aid in the growth of programs such as Lundeen's, the HRSA awarded, in June, 1994, \$4.7 million to 36 states aimed at health professions students, to begin new programs and to increase the recruitment and retention of primary care health professionals in underserved areas. Initial grants are awarded for one year, focusing on networking, community experience, clinical experience, and mentoring.

- A Career in Nursing -

After graduating from Illinois Wesleyan in 1969, Lundeen went to the University of Illinois, where she received a master of science degree in nursing, later completing work on a Ph.D. from the U of I's Health Sciences Center in Chicago. She also serves as Director of the Nursing Center at UWM.

Lundeen is published in numerous medical journals, including *The American Nurse*, *Journal of Family and Community Health* and *Nursing Center: Meeting the Demand for Quality Health Care*.

- Primary Care Policy Fellows-

The Primary Care Policy Fellows followed an intense schedule of seminars during the June convention in Washington, D.C., consisting of briefings about financing, work force, research and public policy issues impacting the national health care reform debate.

"The main goal of this fellowship is to broaden their perspectives related to primary care so they may better know how to advance it at local, state and national levels," explained Dr. Sue Hasmyler, fellowship coordinator.

To study how health care reform might be financed, the fellows spent a full day at the U.S. Health Care Financing Administration, meeting with top officials. In one exercise, fellows were given a mock health care proposal and were asked to develop an effective financing strategy for that proposal.

In other highlights, the fellows spent two days in a leadership development seminar on how to advance primary care among a wide range of health care disciplines, including dentistry, allied health, and nursing.

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