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**CAP CEO James L. Weidner to Chair
Physician Insurers Association of America for a Second Term**

LOS ANGELES, May 24, 2011 -- The Cooperative of American Physicians, Inc. (CAP) today announced that Chief Executive Officer James L. Weidner has been selected to serve a second term as chair of the Physician Insurers Association of America (PIAA), a leading trade association representing domestic and international medical professional liability insurance companies owned and/or operated by physicians, hospitals, dentists, and other health care providers.

"We are very fortunate to have Mr. Weidner continue in this capacity," said PIAA President Lawrence E. Smarr. He has been a tremendous advocate of the PIAA over the past year and he has played a prominent role in the association's many successes. We look forward to his continued leadership, commitment, and guidance in the months ahead."

Mr. Weidner has been on the PIAA board since 2002. In his role as chair, he has general oversight of the business of the association, and supervision of the other officers of the board, as well as the president of the association.

About the Cooperative of American Physicians, Inc.

The Cooperative of American Physicians, Inc. (CAP) was established in 1975 by a group of California physicians to manage the escalating cost of medical professional liability coverage. Two years later, CAP formed the Mutual Protection Trust (MPT), today a market leader in California's medical professional liability arena. MPT currently covers more than 11,000 of the state's finest physicians and is the only physician-owned organization of its kind rated A+ (Superior) by A.M. Best Company. Based in Los Angeles, CAP also has offices in San Diego, Orange, Sacramento, and Palo Alto, California. For more information, visit www.cap-mpt.com.

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