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### Community Health Centers Honor Representative Baker

**Harrisburg, PA** – This week, the Pennsylvania Association of Community Health Centers (PACHC) and its members honored Representative Matt Baker (R-Tioga) for his leadership on health care issues in Pennsylvania, particularly in rural areas of the state. Representative Baker received PACHC’s “2014 Legislative Leadership Award” as part of the association’s 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Meeting.

In his career and role as chairman of the Pennsylvania House Health Committee he continues to champion issues to help Community Health Centers and rural health clinics expand their services as they continue to expand access to primary medical, dental and behavioral care to individuals in underserved areas of the Commonwealth.

Cheri Rinehart, President and CEO of PACHC, said, “Representative Baker is a tremendous advocate for and supporter of Community Health Centers and rural health clinics. His leadership and knowledge of issues that affect safety-net providers in rural and urban areas of the state is an asset for the legislature and his constituents. We are pleased to present him with this award as recognition for his public service.”

As part of the award ceremony, Representative Baker was joined by two of his district’s area health center executives, Mr. Steve Kramer (North Penn Comprehensive Health Services/Laurel Health Center) and Ms. Ellen Krajewski (Susquehanna Community Health and Dental Center).

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*The Pennsylvania Association of Community Health Centers (PACHC) is a statewide membership services organization representing Community Health Centers FQHC - the largest primary care network in Pennsylvania and the nation - and other safety net providers that care for more than 700,000 Pennsylvanians at more than 200 delivery sites in rural and urban communities across the Commonwealth. Visit [www.pachc.org](http://www.pachc.org) to find a Community Health Center near you.*