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Olin Corporation's Olin Brass and Winchester® Ammunition Divisions receive CHAA Practice Award for Primary Care/Diabetes Management Programs

LOS ANGELES, CALIF., May 9, 2006—The American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine (ACOEM) has awarded the Olin Brass and Winchester® Ammunition Divisions of Olin Corporation the Model Practice Award under the Corporate Health Achievement Award (CHAA). The company is being recognized for their on-site primary care and diabetes management programs. The CHAA recognizes organizations with quality health, safety, and environmental programs, identifies model programs and outstanding practices, and encourages organizational self-assessment and continuous improvement.

David Turner, MD, PhD, Regional Medical Director for Olin Corporation, accepted the award today at a special ceremony held during ACOEM's annual meeting in Los Angeles, Calif.

The Olin Corporation East Alton, Ill., facility is headquarters for the Brass and Winchester® Ammunition Divisions. It is the largest single plant location in the company with approximately 3,500 employees. Olin Brass manufactures copper and copper alloy strip, sheet and welded tube. Winchester® Ammunition produces sporting ammunition. These divisions were recognized for the following two health programs:

- **On-Site Primary Care Program.** Olin offers on-site primary care to all area employees, spouses, and retirees. The program is unique in that not only is primary care offered on site; but participants can designate the Olin East Alton providers as their primary medical provider within local area health plans. A comparison of Health Plan Employer Data and Information Set (HEDIS) measures for primary care patients managed by the East Alton medical group with regional and national averages shows that the East Alton medical group exceeds national and regional levels of performance for controlling high blood pressure; comprehensive diabetes management; screening for breast, cervical, and colorectal cancers; and the rate at which health care providers offer patients advice to stop smoking. For example, 80.7 percent is the national baseline for breast cancer screening – 85.7 percent of the Olin medical primary care patients received this screening in 2005.

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■ **Diabetes Management Program:** Individuals with diabetes have free access to a registered dietician who comes on site, explains diabetic dietary guidelines, and provides individualized dietary regimens. Diabetic patients are encouraged to come to the clinic for foot exams, blood pressure monitoring, and laboratory testing in accordance with the American Diabetes Association’s guidelines. Employees and their spouses are also offered the opportunity to attend a diabetic support group that meets quarterly and features presentations by local specialists (e.g., cardiologists, podiatrists, endocrinologists).

“Olin Corporation is deserving of this recognition because they have demonstrated commitment to health and wellness through the scope of medical screening and preventive services they offer at their East Alton location,” stated ACOEM President Cheryl S. Barbanel, MD, MPH, MBA, FACOEM.

The Corporate Health Achievement Award was established in 1996 as way of encouraging healthier and safer work environments. The ACOEM award program, co-sponsored by GlaxoSmithKline, is considered the most rigorous and comprehensive of its kind, requiring extensive documentation from organizations of their programs and practices and an onsite visit by a team of ACOEM examiners. Applicants in the competition receive detailed feedback from ACOEM on their programs regardless of whether they receive an award, which is helping raise awareness of best practices and, in the long run, improve standards for employee health and safety. To learn more about the Corporate Health Achievement Award, call 847-818-1800 or visit www.CHAA.org.

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About ACOEM

Founded in 1916, the American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine (ACOEM) is an international medical society of more than 5,000 occupational physicians and other health care professionals that provides leadership to promote the health and safety of workers, workplaces, and environments. The College is headquartered in the Chicagoland area. For more information, visit www.acoem.org.

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