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**Fertility C.A.R.E. Director Speaks at MD Anderson Cancer Center
On Fertility Preservation Options for Cancer Patients**

Orlando, FL (January 25, 2012) – Dr. Mark Trolice, director of Fertility C.A.R.E. (Center for Assisted Reproduction and Endocrinology), recently spoke at MD Anderson Cancer Center in Orlando, Florida, on the topic of fertility preservation for cancer patients.

Trolice was invited to speak to over thirty doctors, nurses, psychiatrists and other staff members at MD Anderson Cancer Center in an effort to increase communication between cancer patients, oncologists, nurses and infertility specialists. The focus of the presentation was on fertility preservation options available to those who face treatment for cancer, such as egg and embryo freezing. “When a young man or woman is faced with the fact that they have cancer, the second most devastating news is they may never be able to have children because of the cancer treatment,” stated Trolice. “It is important that we, as medical professionals, educate that patient prior to chemotherapy or surgery, so they have appropriate expectations and know what their options are.”

Oncofertility is an interdisciplinary field that examines the effects of cancer treatment on fertility and applies the most effective methods to preserve fertility among cancer patients. It is a new and rapidly emerging discipline that is applicable to a multitude of malignancies occurring in reproductive aged patients. Oncologists and fertility specialists, such as Dr. Trolice, are working together in unprecedented ways to educate patients and increase awareness of fertility preservation.

Fertility C.A.R.E. (Center for Assisted Reproduction and Endocrinology) was established in 2003 by Mark P. Trolice, M.D. and is located in Winter Park, Florida. The state-of-the-art facility is a member of the Society for Reproductive Technology (SART) and includes an on-site CAP certified IVF and reproductive laboratory, as well as a male reproductive specialist, an adoption agency and a reproductive psychologist. Fertility C.A.R.E. also offers free educational online webinars lead by Dr. Trolice, including Fertility 101, and In-vitro Fertilization (IVF). In 2004, Trolice also founded Fertile Dreams, a non-profit organization focused on the problems and issues surrounding infertility. Fertile Dreams also provides \$10,000 Embracing Hope Grants to provide IVF treatments at a clinic of the recipient’s choice.

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PHOTO: Dr. Mark Trolice, director of Fertility C.A.R.E. in Winter Park, FL, speaks at MD Anderson Cancer Center on topic of Fertility Preservation for Cancer Patients.