JUPITER, FLA. (MAY 19, 2014) – John Couris, President and CEO of Jupiter Medical Center, was recognized with the 11th Annual Bruce Rendina Professional Hero Award at the Palm Beach County Medical Society’s Heroes in Medicine Awards on May 8, 2014, at the Kravis Center for the Performing Arts in West Palm Beach, Fla. The Bruce Rendina Professional Hero Award is meant to honor an individual whose profession is an integral part of the health care system but is not a direct provider of patient care, and who demonstrates a desire and willingness to use his knowledge and abilities to improve the health of the local, national and global communities.

The award was created to commemorate the life and legacy of Bruce Rendina. Rendina, who passed away in December 2006, was one of the country’s most accomplished real estate developers and philanthropists. The Rendina Family Foundation presents the award on his behalf.

“This award speaks highly of how hard John works to improve the healthcare of our community,” said Paul Chiapparone, Chairman, Jupiter Medical Center Board of Trustees. “His efforts can be seen throughout the Medical Center and our community – from his innovative, collaborative approach in working with physicians and medical professionals to bring new programs and services to Jupiter Medical Center to his work with local not-for-profit organizations whose missions are to improve health and wellness, he is working hard to better the healthcare of Palm Beach County and beyond.”

The Palm Beach County Medical Society’s Heroes in Medicine Awards Ceremony honors individuals and organizations throughout Palm Beach County that use their skills and resources in the field of health care to provide outstanding services for the people of our local, national, and global communities.

John Couris has been in the healthcare business for more than 20 years, and has an affinity for improving healthcare for the communities in which he serves. Beyond the walls of the hospital, John is a
strong advocate for taking care of the community’s health and wellness. One of his most recent initiatives is his involvement in MyClinic, a free adult primary medicine and urgent dental care clinic.

Couris supports other not-for-profit organizations and believes in giving back to his community. Under his direction, the Medical Center sponsors a number of organizations and events, including the American Cancer Society’s Making Strides Against Breast Cancer, March of Dimes March for Babies, Honda Classic (a not-for-profit event that benefits Children’s Healthcare Charities), and the Mandel Jewish Community Center, to name a few. John also serves on the boards of the Northern Palm Beach County Chamber of Commerce, the Honda Classic, March of Dimes, and Maltz Jupiter Theater.

In addition to his role at Jupiter Medical Center, Couris is an active member of the American College of Healthcare Executives, Young Presidents’ Organization, and the American Hospital Association Board of Regents for the Southeast.

**About Jupiter Medical Center**

A not-for-profit 283-bed regional medical center consisting of 163 private acute care hospital beds and 120 long-term care, sub-acute rehabilitation and Hospice beds, Jupiter Medical Center provides a broad range of services with specialty concentrations in oncology, imaging, orthopedics & spine, digestive health, emergency services, lung & thoracic, women’s health, weight management and men’s health. Founded in 1979, the Medical Center has approximately 1,500 team members, 575 physicians and 640 volunteers. For more information on Jupiter Medical Center, please call (561) 263-2234 or visit [Jupitermed.com](http://Jupitermed.com).

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JOHN COURIS, PRESIDENT AND CEO OF JUPITER MEDICAL CENTER, AWARDED PALM BEACH COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY BRUCE RENDINA PROFESSIONAL HERO AWARD

John Couris, President & CEO of Jupiter Medical Center, received the Bruce Rendina Professional Hero Award from the Palm Beach County Medical Society at the recent Heroes in Medicine luncheon.

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