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Carolina Heart & Vascular Center's Grand Opening

The staff of **Carolina Heart & Vascular Center** in Aiken had a heartfelt welcome for all their friends, family and colleagues who attended the **Grand Opening of their new facility on 137 Miracle Drive NW Friday, November 11th**.

The ceremony began at 5:30 with opening remarks from **Dr. Ansermo Arthur of Carolina Heart & Vascular Center**. The second speaker, **Dr. David Cundey of Carolina Heart & Vascular Center**, delivered words of appreciation to the organizers and supporters of the Open Heart Program at Aiken Regional Medical Centers. **Aiken Mayor Fred Cavanaugh** then concluded the ceremony with closing remarks and invitation to cut the ribbon. A reception followed the ribbon cutting honoring the Center's Grand Opening, as well as their newest physician, Dr. Amy Epps.

"This is an exciting day for us," said **Joan Cundey, Practice Administrator of Carolina Heart and Vascular Center**. "We have so much to celebrate - the opening of our wonderful new facility, and the addition of a remarkable physician, Amy Epps."

Located at 137 Miracle Drive NW Miracle Drive behind the Cancer Care Institute of Carolina, the 13,047 square-foot building houses the Center's expanded evaluation areas and state-of-the-art diagnostic equipment.

"Our new center is ideal," said **Dr. Gregory Eaves of Carolina Heart & Vascular Center**. "All patient waiting, evaluation and testing rooms are more spacious. The location of the physician and nurse charting areas allow better access to exam rooms while optimizing patient privacy."

Carolina Heart & Vascular Center is comprised of Aiken Cardiovascular Associates and Aiken Cardiovascular Surgical Associates. Founded in 2002, offices are located at 137 Miracle Drive NW in Aiken, SC and at 154 Wren St. in Barnwell, SC. Dedicated to providing the best cardiovascular care in the CSRA, physicians at Carolina Heart & Vascular Center are members of the American Heart Association, American College of Surgeons, the International College of Surgeons, the Southern Thoracic Surgical Assoc., the Society of Thoracic Surgery, the American College of Cardiology, the American Society of Chest Physicians and South Carolina Vascular Surgery Assoc. Please visit us online at www.carolinahvc.com.

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