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### **Emory Healthcare's new Musculoskeletal Institute groundbreaking ceremony marks step forward for long-term plan in Executive Park** *State-of-the-art facility aims to integrate exceptional patient care with clinical and discovery research*

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ATLANTA, GA – Emory Healthcare celebrated today the groundbreaking of the new Emory Musculoskeletal Institute, located in Brookhaven, Georgia, to continue its commitment to develop innovative treatments and provide solutions for health care challenges facing the local communities. As the newest addition to Emory's Executive Park health innovation district, the approximately 180,000-square-foot, LEED-certified building will be a comprehensive, patient and family-centered facility providing orthopaedics and spine care, physical therapy, imaging, ambulatory surgery, with clinical and discovery research support space.

"From the location choice to architecture design to staffing, the formation of the Emory Musculoskeletal Institute directly aligns with Emory Healthcare's mission to serve humanity by improving health through integration of education, discovery and health care delivery," says Jonathan S. Lewin, MD, president and CEO and chairman of the board of Emory Healthcare. "We look forward to seeing the positive impact this facility will have on our local community for generations to come."

Emory's vision to be a model of transformative practices and sustainable choices at every level serves as the inspiration for the eco-friendly design of the building. More than 95 percent of stormwater and runoff water will be contained through a system of bio-swales, retention ponds and underground stormwater systems to enhance on-site water management. Strategic lighting of the facility aims to reduce light pollution and help Emory be a good neighbor to the surrounding community. Smart building technology lowers energy consumption through a network of sensors to help deliver power only where it is needed. The overall construction project seeks to divert most of its waste from local landfills, thus reducing its carbon footprint.

"Emory Healthcare's musculoskeletal service line has been expanding for many years. This is reflected in our growing reach around the metro Atlanta area. The new Emory Musculoskeletal Institute will serve as our central location and house multiple centers of

excellence and programs,” says Scott D. Boden, MD, professor and chair of the Department of Orthopaedics in Emory University School of Medicine and director of the Emory Orthopaedics & Spine Center. “Research is also a core part of our mission, and the design of this building will encompass that from its external appearance to the structure of patient and staff flow inside.”

Additionally, Emory Healthcare will partner with a world-leading heating, air-conditioning and refrigeration company to design, test and demonstrate results from the most innovative building control technologies, which will drive efficiency, safety and security, and an unparalleled experience for Emory’s patients and staff.

The new facility, in combination with Emory Sports Medicine Complex in Executive Park and other regional offices in Johns Creek, Flowery Branch, Dunwoody, Smyrna, LaGrange, Spivey Station, Decatur and Stonecrest, will allow Emory Healthcare to increase access and care for patients throughout the Atlanta region and beyond. It will also house Emory’s Orthopaedics Ambulatory Surgery Center and a substantial component of the Orthopaedic Research Laboratory.

The construction of the Emory Musculoskeletal Institute is anticipated to be completed in the second quarter of 2021.

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