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The North Carolina Stroke Association Names 2017 Board of Directors

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. (Jan. 23, 2017) — The NC Stroke Association (NCSA), based in Winston-Salem, has named **Amy Guzik, MD, Colin McDonald, MD, and Amy Jones, RN** to its Board of Directors.

Amy Guzik, MD is Associate Director of the Wake Forest Telestroke Program and Assistant Professor in Vascular Neurology at Wake Forest School of Medicine. Additionally, she serves as Director of the Primary Stroke Center at Lexington Medical Center in Lexington, N.C.

Colin McDonald, MD is a Vascular Neurologist/Neuro Intensivist and leads the Inpatient Neurosciences and Comprehensive Stroke Program at Novant Health Forsyth Medical Center. He is a passionate pioneer in the virtual delivery of stroke care to patients who present in the community hospital setting, and co-founded the national telemedicine provider, Specialists on Call.

Amy Jones, RN is a Stroke Certified Nurse and Advanced Stroke Life Support Instructor at Novant Health Forsyth Medical Center. She serves as the Center's Neuro Emergencies and Telemedicine Manager. In this role, Jones oversees the Comprehensive Stroke Program as well as teleneurology services to partner facilities.

"The NC Stroke Association is extremely fortunate to have such strong stroke advocates joining our Board of Directors as we work toward expanding access to stroke care, education and prevention programs across North Carolina," said Beth Parks, executive director of the NC Stroke Association.

The 2017 officers for the NC Stroke Association are **Dr. Charles Tegeler**, president; **Jay Briley**, vice-president; **Ann Lanier Spencer**, secretary; and **William Hollan, Jr.**, treasurer.

About the NC Stroke Association

*The North Carolina Stroke Association is a 501 (c) 3 organization founded in 1998 by a group of physicians and lay people who saw the need to address the state's increasing prevalence of stroke and its attendant disabilities. With operational seed money from the Kate B. Reynolds Charitable Trust, NCSA began to fulfill its mission to reduce the **incidence** and **impact** of stroke in North Carolina through collaborations to facilitate **screening, education, outcome assessments and advocacy**. For more information, visit www.ncstroke.org.*