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**ORTHOCAROLINA ADDS NEW PHYSICIAN TO FOOT & ANKLE INSTITUTE**

*Dr. Kent Ellington Joins Region's Leading Orthopedic Team at Uptown Campus*

**CHARLOTTE, N.C. (Aug. 25, 2010)** – OrthoCarolina, the region's leading orthopedic practice, today announced the addition of Dr. Kent Ellington to its Foot & Ankle Institute located at 2001 Vail Ave.

“Dr. Ellington has extensive experience in ankle replacement and minimally invasive arthroscopic surgery and joins a highly specialized team of some of the most well-respected surgeons in the country,” said Dr. Dan Murrey, chief executive officer of OrthoCarolina. “Dr. Ellington’s background will enhance our Foot & Ankle Institute team, allowing us to continue to provide our patients with the excellent care they’ve come to expect.”

Dr. Ellington earned his bachelor’s and graduate degrees at the University of North Carolina in Charlotte, N.C., and his medical degree at Wake Forest University School of Medicine in Winston-Salem, N.C. He completed his residency at Carolinas Medical Center in Charlotte, N.C., and completed his foot and ankle reconstruction fellowship at Mercy Hospital in Baltimore.

Dr. Ellington is a member of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons (AAOS) and the American Orthopaedic Foot & Ankle Society (AOFAS). He also is currently an adjunct assistant professor of biology at UNC-Charlotte.

**About OrthoCarolina**

As one of the nation’s leading orthopedic practices with offices across the Charlotte region, OrthoCarolina is your destination for comprehensive orthopedic care. Leveraging our physicians’ expertise in the areas of foot and ankle, hand, hip and knee, shoulder and elbow, spine, sports medicine and pediatrics; and providing services that include physical therapy, MRI and post-surgical support; we can offer you a continuum of care unmatched in the region.

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