



NEWS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
March 13, 2006

Contact: David Bickham
Public Relations Specialist
(740) 687-8108

**SUBJECT: FMC PRESIDENT TO TESTIFY BEFORE
SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE**

Fairfield Medical Center President and CEO Mina Ubbing has been asked to testify before a U.S. Senate Subcommittee assembled to discuss the possible need for legislation regulating group purchasing organizations. The subcommittee is chaired by Sen. Mike DeWine, R-OH, and Sen. Herb Kohl, D-WI.

Fairfield Medical Center has been a member of Amerinet, a group purchasing organization, for more than 20 years. In 2005, the Center was able to save more than \$1 million on the cost of supplies and equipment through its association with Amerinet. Ubbing will be testify at approximately 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 15, regarding the value group purchasing organizations provide to hospitals such as Fairfield Medical Center.

- 30 -