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**Local Healthcare Leader Earns Frederick T. Muncie Gold Award**

(Your hometown) – The (Chapter Name) of the Healthcare Financial Management Association (HFMA) announces that (Name, Title, Employer, City, State), has been presented the Frederick T. Muncie Gold Award. He/She earned the honor for service to the (Chapter Name). HFMA is a national organization of more than 100,000 members. The (Chapter Name) has (number of chapter members) members.

“Earning the Frederick T. Muncie Gold Award involves significant service and commitment,” according to (Chapter President’s Name).

The Frederick T. Muncie Gold Award recognizes the outstanding contributions of (Last name), which contributed to chapter’s growth and success, according to Chapter President (Chapter President’s Name). To be eligible for the award, (Last name) earned points in a rating system based on voluntary service at both the chapter and the national level.

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**About the Award:**

HFMA recognizes that its strength lies in volunteers who contribute their time, ideas, and energy to serve the healthcare industry, their profession, and one another. Established in 1960, the Frederick T. Muncie Gold Award was created as part of the Founders Merit Award Series, which acknowledges contributions made by HFMA members. These awards are part of a merit-rating plan in which specific activities are assigned a range of point values. The Muncie Gold Award was named in honor of Frederick T. Muncie, one of the organizing founders of the American Association of Hospital Accountants (now HFMA). Muncie was elected the association’s first president in 1947 and helped Chicago area hospital accountants organize the association’s first chapter.

**About HFMA:**

The Healthcare Financial Management Association (HFMA) is the nation's premier membership organization for healthcare finance leaders. HFMA builds and supports coalitions with other healthcare associations and industry groups to achieve consensus on solutions for the challenges the U.S. healthcare system faces today. Working with a broad cross-section of stakeholders, HFMA identifies gaps throughout the healthcare delivery system and bridges them through the establishment and sharing of knowledge and best practices. We help healthcare stakeholders achieve optimal results by creating and providing education, analysis, and practical tools and solutions. Our mission is to lead the financial management of health care. [www.hfma.org](http://www.mmsend53.com/link.cfm?r=41365920&sid=11037650&m=1136362&u=HFMA&s=http://www.hfma.org)

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