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ACBA to Present El Sol Award to Dr. Diego Chaves-Gnecco at Oct. 19 Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration

Chaves-Gnecco is Founding Pediatrician at Salud para Niños Clinic

PITTSBURGH – The Allegheny County Bar Association Hispanic Attorneys Committee will present the El Sol Award to Dr. Diego Chaves-Gnecco at its annual Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration on Thursday, Oct. 19 at La Palapa restaurant on Pittsburgh's South Side.

Dr. Chaves-Gnecco is the founding Pediatrician of the Salud para Niños (Health for the Children). The mobile clinic is staffed by culturally aware individuals bringing comfort and medical care to families across Southwestern Pa., some of which travel from Westmoreland, Fayette and Beaver counties so their children are seen by providers who can better understand their needs.

The clinic also takes place three times a week in Oakland at the Primary Care Center of the Children's Hospital. It was founded approximately 21 years ago and provides care for children from newborn to 18 years of age without health insurance. The clinic offers virtual visits for parents with transportation difficulties, interpretation services, car seat checks in Spanish - and sometimes replacement seats – a bilingual literacy project, community CPR training, and a 24-hour phoneline. Notably, Dr. Chaves Gnecco – or Dr. Diego as he is popularly known – is credited with creating the first pediatric bilingual-bicultural clinic in Southwestern Pa.

The ACBA Hispanic Attorneys Committee presents the El Sol Award annually to a local individual who has helped the Committee fulfill its mission of promoting the advancement of Pittsburgh's Hispanic legal professionals and the Hispanic community at large.

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About the ACBA

Chartered in 1870 and headquartered in downtown Pittsburgh, the Allegheny County Bar Association is a professional organization with approximately 6,000 member attorneys, judges, district justices, legal administrators and paralegals.