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## NEWS FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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### **Aging Tree, three Chambers of Commerce, launch Healthcare Professionals Networking Alliance; First meeting Jan. 21 at Woodland Towers**

**Jan. 7, 2013 (Orange City, Fla.)** – Together with the DeLand Area Chamber of Commerce, West Volusia Regional Chamber of Commerce, and the Volusia Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Aging Tree of Orange City has created a **Healthcare Professionals Networking Alliance**. The Alliance's aim is to bridge the connections of healthcare professionals in all areas of West Volusia County in an effort to become the premium healthcare networking organization in Volusia County. The group is by invitation only, through Aging Tree or the member Chambers of Commerce.

The Healthcare Professionals Networking Alliance will hold meetings held **every third Tuesday of the month**, from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., at various locations throughout West Volusia County.

#### **The first six meetings will be:**

- **4 – 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan 21** - Woodland Towers, 113 W. Chipola Ave, DeLand
- **4 – 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 18** - Watson Realty, 1961 S. Woodland Blvd., DeLand
- **4 – 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 18** – Good Samaritan Florida Lutheran, 450 N. McDonald Ave., DeLand
- **4 – 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 15** (location TBD)
- **4 – 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 20** - Aging Tree, 985 Harley Strickland Blvd. #100, Orange City
- **4 – 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 17** (location TBD)

Chamber and Aging Tree Members may attend free; cost is \$10 for invited nonmembers. Interested healthcare professionals should contact Aging Tree at 386-774-2446 for a membership form prior to attending an event.

"The medical and health science sector continues to grow in West Volusia at a rapid pace," said DeLand Area Chamber Executive Director Nick Conte. "It's an honor to be teaming up with other business partners in the region as well as our friends at the West Volusia Regional Chamber and Volusia Hispanic Chamber to ensure that local businesses are "Buying Local" from other small businesses here."

"Aging Tree has joined the network of fellow businesses involved with the West Volusia Regional Chamber of Commerce and has created a great added value for our medical community in staging these networking events," said West Volusia Regional Chamber of Commerce Board Member Laura Engstrom. "We are supportive of all efforts that are made to strengthen and sustain our local business professionals and are proud to have Aging Tree be a part of our organization as well as being so innovative in their efforts for everyone in our communities."

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**About Aging Tree**

Aging Tree services are provided free to seniors and their families; the company is supported by member businesses. Aging Tree bridges the gap between the aging and the services they need, and supports itself through membership open to any publicly owned or non-profit, charitable tax-exempt organization providing care, products housing or services to the elderly.

Aging Tree's mission is to provide safer and easier access to senior care-related products and services to the families and caregivers of our aging population. Through its network, Aging Tree provides dedicated resources to guide to the families of seniors in our community through screened providers in a one-stop environment to showcase their experience and services. To learn more about Aging Tree, visit [www.agingtree.com](http://www.agingtree.com), [www.facebook.com/agingtree](https://www.facebook.com/agingtree), or call 386-774-2446.