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### Pediatrics Chief Honored by State Sickle Cell Anemia Organization

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LAS VEGAS -- Dr. Jack Lazerson, professor and chairman of the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Nevada School of Medicine, was recently honored by the National Association for Sickle Cell Disease, Inc. of Nevada. Dr. Lazerson was recognized for his "service and commitment to the improvement of the quality of services for people with Sickle Cell disease," according to Albert Crosby, president of the statewide organization.

Actor and humanitarian Greg Morris was also honored at the dinner attended by Sen. Harry Reid, D-Nev., and other local and state officials. Dr. Lazerson and Mr. Morris both also received "special commendation for exemplary performance and outstanding achievement" from Sen. Richard Bryan, D-Nev.

Dr. Lazerson is an expert in pediatric hematology and cancer and was the first person with such expertise to be recruited to Nevada. Dr. Lazerson holds clinics for children in both Reno and Las Vegas.

Dr. Lazerson has served as state chairman for the Sickle Cell Disease Advisory Committee for six years. Sickle Cell is a genetic disease that affects one in every 500 African-Americans.