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~ Mr. Jeffrey Hess, father of Lindsey and Ashley

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TOUR DATES:

FEBRUARY 14, MARCH 14, APRIL 25

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Old-fashioned house calls eliminate many trips to ER



The founders of My Home Doctor are (l-r) Mark E. Price, Dr. Andrea Maggioni and Jose A. Varona.

BY LINDA RODRIGUEZ BERNFELD

People of a certain age remember the day when doctors would come to the house to treat us when we were sick.

Today instead of having the doctor come to you, you have to go to the office or the emergency room. Not only do you have to wait for hours to be seen, you can be infecting other people with your illness.

Now, there is another option. It's called My Home Doctor and it has been serving much of Miami-Dade County since Sept. 1. The company recently expanded into Broward County.

My Home Doctor has seven physicians on call and available for house calls. There are 30 more who are waiting to become part of the network.

According to the founders, if someone needs care, the doctor will get to the house within an hour of the initial phone call.

"We take all the time necessary to diagnose and treat," said Andrea Maggioni, one of My Home Doctor founders. "We have no time pressure. We answer all the questions a family has."

Maggioni said the key to My Home Doctor is the personal care that each patient receives. That care includes a follow-up phone call the next day. And, if needed, the doctor will come back again within 48 hours at no cost if the problem isn't solved.

Maggioni said he and his partners started the company because they had seen firsthand that there is a huge need for house calls.

"Most of the visits to an emergency room are not for emergency care," he said. "When you are triaged in an emergency room, who is sicker has the prior-

ity. You are told up front you have to wait three to six hours. We have had patients who went to the emergency room in the first place and then we met them at the house."

Partner Mark Price said that with My Home Doctor, the family is in control of scheduling.

"If you went to the emergency department, its midnight or noon before you get medical care," he said. "We're bringing doctors to you, instead."

The doctors employed by My Home Doctor are all board certified and licensed. They are looking for a new way to practice because of the stress brought on by the need to see large numbers of patients as a result of low insurance reimbursements.

"The physicians are actually pleased to have time with the patients," Price said.

My Home Doctor visits begin at \$300 but could be more based on time and complexity of the case.

"Our average visit is \$325," Price said. "We have had very complex cases where we have charged \$500."

The service even extends to meeting patients in the emergency room, if needed. Price said one of the events that guided him to be one of the creators of My Home Doctor was a problem with his daughter, who had a urinary tract infection. They decided to bypass the emergency room and went to an urgent care center instead. That visit took five hours and cost \$500, which convinced him there had to be a better way.

For more information on My Home Doctor, go online to <www.myhomedoctor.com> or call 305-665-4437.

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