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**AMPUTEE TRANSCONTINENTAL BIKE RIDE
ARRIVES AT HEALTHSOUTH DOTHAN**

DOTHAN, Ala. – Amputees Across America, a group of amputees making a transcontinental bike ride, will arrive at **HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital of Dothan at 10 a.m. on Monday, July 12, 2010.** A welcome reception will be held in honor of the cyclists who are riding in relays across the United States and visiting hospitals to increase public awareness of amputees as people with active lifestyles.

While in Dothan, Amputees Across America members, Dick Fate, John Cool, Joe Sapere and Doc Milligan, will visit HealthSouth current and former patients and members of the amputee support group to share stories of overcoming their amputation to live healthy, fulfilling lives. The event is open to the community, so make sure to mark your calendars.

“We are delighted to host Amputees Across America at our hospital,” says HealthSouth Dothan Chief Executive Officer Margaret Futch. “This visit provides an excellent opportunity for our patients as well as our community to see firsthand that no physical disability should keep anyone from living an active lifestyle.”

This is the ninth year AAA has made a cross-country journey. The riders departed on June 2, 2010, from HealthSouth Tustin Rehabilitation Hospital in California. To reach their final destination at HealthSouth Treasure Coast Rehabilitation Hospital in Vero Beach, Fla., on July 26, 2010, the group will travel 3,500 miles and stop at 20 HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospitals in less than 60 days. For more information about this year’s journey and the riders who make it possible, visit www.healthsouthdothan.com.

HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital of Dothan is a 39-bed inpatient hospital that provides a higher level of rehabilitative care to patients who are recovering from stroke and other neurological disorders, brain and spinal cord injury, amputations and orthopedic, cardiac and pulmonary conditions. Accredited by The Joint Commission, the hospital is located at 1736 East Main St.

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