Director of Univ. of Cincinnati Epilepsy Center Michael Privitera, M.D. Named First Vice President of American Epilepsy Society

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WEST HARTFORD, Conn., December 8, 2014 – Michael Privitera, M.D., Professor of Neurology at the University of Cincinnati (UC) and Director of the Epilepsy Center at The UC Neuroscience Institute at UC, was appointed first vice president of the American Epilepsy Society (AES) during the organization’s 68th Annual Meeting in Seattle this weekend. Dr. Privitera’s new AES board position puts him in line to head the organization at the end of the current president’s term in office.

Dr. Privitera will support the President and Board of Directors in executing the goals established within the strategic plan and he will help lead new initiatives for the organization.

Dr. Privitera’s dedication to the discovery of new treatments and caring for people with epilepsy has been a cornerstone of his career.

For more than 25 years, Dr. Privitera has led the Epilepsy Center at the University of Cincinnati Neuroscience Institute.

Dr. Privitera is an internationally recognized expert on advanced treatments for epilepsy. He established the Epilepsy Center over 25 years ago as the first comprehensive epilepsy program in the region. He has published over 100 scientific articles and a book on epilepsy, and has directed over 50 clinical studies on epilepsy treatment.

Dr. Privitera received his undergraduate degree from Johns Hopkins University and his medical degree from the State University of New York-Upstate Medical Center. He completed his residency at Georgetown University and a fellowship at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center. He has received numerous awards, accolades and honors throughout his career.

About the American Epilepsy Society
The American Epilepsy Society (AES) is a non-profit medical and scientific society. Our individual members are professionals engaged in both research and clinical care for people with epilepsy from private practice, academia and government. For more than 75 years, AES has been unlocking the potential of the clinical and research community by creating a dynamic global forum where professionals can share, learn and grow. AES champions the use of sound science and clinical care through the exchange of knowledge, by providing education and by furthering the advancement of the profession.

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