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ROME, Ga., February 7, 2011 – The surgical treatment of spinal cord injuries is the topic of an article in The Spine Journal by Harbin Clinic Neurosurgeon E. Andrew Stevens, M.D., and other neurosurgeons with the Department of Neurosurgery at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center. The Spine Journal is one of the leading medical journals on spine treatment and provides treatment guidance to surgeons around the world.

The article, A Review of Surgical Intervention in the Setting of Traumatic Central Cord Syndrome, examined outcomes of 126 patients with spinal cord injury. It concluded that surgical intervention was safe and that outcomes were superior to patients who only received medical management of the injury. The study further showed the benefit of early operative intervention over delayed surgical treatment.

Dr. Stevens is a member of the Harbin Clinic Neurosciences Department. He received his Medical Doctorate degree from the Medical College of Georgia and completed his Neurosurgery residency at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center in Winston-Salem, N.C.

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