National Quality Forum Members Elect New Council Leaders

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WASHINGTON, Nov. 1, 2010 /PRNewswire-USNewswire/ -- The National Quality Forum (NQF) announces the election of leadership for four of its eight member councils.

NQF is a unique, multi-stakeholder, nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the quality of American healthcare by setting national priorities and goals for performance improvement, endorsing national consensus standards for measuring and publicly reporting on performance, and promoting the attainment of national goals through education and outreach programs.

Member organizations of NQF have the opportunity to take part in a national dialogue about how to measure healthcare quality and publicly report the findings. NQF's members include a wide variety of stakeholders organized under eight member councils. The elected chairs of the member councils advise NQF's Board of Directors on the organization's overall strategy and direction, provide input to the Consensus Standards Approval Committee on proposed consensus standards, and oversee NQF's education and award recognition programs.

"Each of these individuals will provide unique experiences and views on healthcare quality that are vital to building broad consensus on improving the quality of healthcare in this country," said Janet Corrigan, PhD, MBA, NQF president and CEO. "We look forward to working with these leaders to further NQF's important mission."

The new leaders are:

Consumer Council

- Chair: Tanya Alteras, MPP, Associate Director, Consumer-Purchaser Disclosure Project, National Partnership for Women & Families
- Vice Chair: Maureen Corry, MPH, Executive Director, Childbirth Connection (second term)

Health Plan Council

- Chair: Thomas James, III, MD, Medical Director National Network, Humana Inc.
- Vice Chair: Dick Salmon, MD, PhD, Senior National Medical Exe
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