

# STAND FOR QUALITY

*in Health Care*

The undersigned organizations are heartened by the prospects of substantial health care reform and believe that reform should build on the momentum that has been generated by collaborative activities already underway to promote improvement in health care quality and affordability. By acting on the recommendations in ***Building a Foundation for High Quality, Affordable Health Care: Linking Performance Measurement to Health Reform*** (March 2009) we believe we can harness the energies of a wide range of groups seeking to improve care and lower costs, and, ultimately, achieve our goal of making high quality, affordable health care available to all.

These recommendations are the product of a partnership among patient and consumer groups, employers and public purchasers, representatives of physicians, nurses and other clinicians, health plans, hospitals and more. The composition of this partnership reflects the multistakeholder collaboration that we believe should be the locus of the measurement, reporting and improvement activities described in this document. Together we call on the new administration and Congress to build on the collaborative activities already underway. By expanding the public investment in the performance measurement, reporting and improvement enterprise we can harness the energies of these groups that seek to improve care and lower costs, and, ultimately, achieve our goal of making high quality, affordable health care available to all.

## National Organizations

- AARP
- AFL-CIO
- Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy
- Academy of Medical-Surgical Nurses
- Acumentra Health
- Aetna
- Alliance for Patient Medication Safety
- Alliance for Pediatric Quality
- Amedisys, Inc.
- America's Health Insurance Plans
- American Academy of Dermatology
- American Academy of Family Physicians
- American Academy of Neurology
- American Academy of Nursing
- American Academy of Nurse Practitioners

- American Academy of Otolaryngology - Head and Neck Surgery
- American Association of Birth Centers
- American Association of Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Rehabilitation
- American Association of Colleges of Nursing
- American Benefits Council
- American Board of Medical Specialties
- American Chiropractic Association
- American College of Cardiology
- American College of Medical Quality
- American College of Nurse-Midwives
- American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians
- American College of Physicians
- American College of Physician Executives
- American College of Radiology
- American College of Surgeons
- American Gastroenterological Association Institute
- American Geriatrics Society
- American Health Information Management Association
- American Health Quality Association
- American Heart Association
- American Hospital Association
- American Hospice Foundation
- American Medical Association
- American Medical Association-convened Physician Consortium for Performance Improvement
- American Nurses Association
- American Occupational Therapy Association
- American Optometric Association
- American Osteopathic Academy of Orthopedics
- American Osteopathic Association
- American Pharmacists Association
- American Physical Therapy Association
- American Podiatric Medical Association
- American Psychological Association
- American Society of Health-System Pharmacists

- American Urological Association
- Association of American Medical Colleges
- Association for Healthcare Documentation Integrity
- Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology
- Association of PeriOperative Registered Nurses
- Association of Women's Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses
- Blue Cross Blue Shield Association
- Bridges To Excellence
- Calculated Risk, Inc.
- CareVariance LLC
- Catholic Health Initiatives
- CECity.com, Inc.
- Center for Advancing Health
- Center for Health Care Quality, George Washington University
- Center for Health Systems Research & Analysis
- Child Health Corporation of America
- Childbirth Connection
- Coalition for Improving Maternity Services
- Comprehensive Pharmacy Services
- Consumers' CHECKBOOK/Center for the Study of Services
- Consumers Coalition for Quality Health Care
- Consumers Union
- Council of Medical Specialty Societies
- Discern, LLC
- eHealth Initiative
- Epstein Becker & Green, P.C.
- Federation of American Hospitals
- Forward Health Group, Inc.
- Health2Resources
- HealthPartners
- Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society
- Healthcare Leadership Council
- Heart Rhythm Society
- Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association
- Humana
- Ingenix
- IPRO
- Lumetra

- MAXIMUS Federal Services, Inc.
- Medco Health Solutions
- Medical Group Management Association
- MetaStar, Inc.
- National Alliance of State Pharmacy Associations
- National Association for Healthcare Quality
- National Association for Public Hospitals and Health Systems
- National Association of Children's Hospitals and Related Institutions
- National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners
- National Business Coalition on Health
- National Business Group on Health
- National Committee for Quality Assurance
- National Community Pharmacists Association
- National Consortium of Breast Centers
- National Consumers League
- National eHealth Collaborative
- National Institute for Quality Improvement and Education
- National Partnership for Women & Families
- National Quality Forum
- Network for Regional Healthcare Improvement
- National Retail Federation
- NetHealth
- Next Wave
- Outcomes Pharmaceutical HealthCare
- Pacific Business Group on Health
- Patriot Data Solutions Group
- Peminic, Inc.
- Pharmacy OneSource, Inc.
- Pharmacy Quality Alliance, Inc.
- Premier Inc.
- QSource
- Qualis Health
- Quality Partners of Rhode Island
- Quidel Corporation
- RMD Networks
- Service Employees International Union (SEIU)
- Shaller Consulting Group

- Society for Cardiovascular Angiography and Interventions
- Society for the Advancement of Blood Management
- Society for Vascular Surgery
- Society of Hospital Medicine
- Society of Thoracic Surgeons
- Strategic Medical Alliances, Inc.
- The Catholic Health Association of the United States
- The Joint Commission
- The Leapfrog Group
- Thomson Reuters
- UnitedHealth Group
- Universal American Corp.
- URAC
- U.S. Chamber of Commerce
- WellPoint, Inc.

### **Local/State/Regional Organizations**

- Alabama Quality Assurance Foundation (AQAF)
- Atlantic Health
- Atlanticare Regional Medical Center
- Baylor Health Care System
- Bayonne Medical Center (New Jersey)
- Betsy Lehman Center for Patient Safety and Medical Error Reduction
- BJC HealthCare
- Buyers Health Care Action Group
- Colorado Foundation for Medical Care
- Employer Health Care Alliance (Ohio – Kentucky –Indiana)
- Employers Coalition on Health (Northern Illinois)
- Exeter Health Resources(New Hampshire)
- FMQAI (Florida)
- Greater Detroit Area Health Council, Inc.
- Goodwill Industries of Central Indiana, Inc.
- Hanover Area Health Care Alliance
- Health Action Council Ohio

- Health Improvement Collaborative of Greater Cincinnati
- Health Policy Corporation of Iowa
- Health Services Advisory Group (HSAG) of Arizona
- Health Services Advisory Group (HSAG) of California
- HealthCare 21 Business Coalition (Tennessee)
- HealthInsight (Utah and Nevada)
- Hospital for Special Surgery
- Information & Quality Healthcare (Mississippi)
- Integrated Healthcare Association
- Iowa Foundation for Medical Care
- Iowa Health Buyers Alliance
- Jackson Health System (Florida)
- James Cancer Hospital at Ohio State
- Kansas Foundation for Medical Care, Inc.
- Louisiana Health Care Quality Forum
- Louisiana Health Care Review
- Maine Health Management Coalition
- Massachusetts Department of Public Health
- Massachusetts Health Quality Partners
- Michigan Peer Review Organization
- Midwestern University
- Minnesota Community Measurement
- MultiCare Health System
- New Jersey Hospital Association
- New York Business Group on Health
- Niagara Health Quality Coalition
- North Dakota Health Care Review, Inc.
- North Shore-LIJ Health System
- Northwest Physicians Network
- OdeonData, LLC
- Oklahoma Foundation for Medical Quality
- Oregon Coalition of Health Care Purchasers
- Oregon Health Care Quality Corporation
- Pennsylvania Health Care Quality Alliance
- Pittsburgh Regional Health Initiative

- Primaris (Missouri)
- Proctor Hospital
- Puget Sound Health Alliance
- Quality Quest for Health of Illinois
- South Carolina Business Coalition on Health
- South Peninsula Hospital
- Stoeckle Center for Primary Care Innovation
- Sutter Children's Center
- The Carolina's Center for Medical Excellence
- The Children's Hospital (Denver)
- The HOPE of Wisconsin
- Transylvania Regional Hospital
- University of Arizona
- University of Pennsylvania Health System
- Virgin Islands Medical Institute, Inc.
- WellSpan Health
- West Virginia Medical Institute & Quality Insights
- Wisconsin Collaborative for Healthcare Quality
- Wisconsin Medical Society