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Senior leaders to address transition to new innovative care models at Hospital and Health Systems Summit, World Health Care Congress, April 16-18, Washington, D.C.

CEOs and executives from CMS, Children's Hospital Boston, Tenet Healthcare and Cleveland Clinic to join panel discussions on latest challenges and solutions for providers

WASHINGTON, D.C. February 24, 2012 – As hospitals and health systems seek new and effective models for providing quality care while controlling costs, the [Hospitals and Health Systems Summit](#) at the [9th Annual World Health Care Congress](#) will convene senior leaders to address urgent issues for providers, including transitioning into an ACO business model, fostering innovation in the delivery of care, care coordination, physician engagement and reinventing primary care.

Hospital, health system, physician group practice and integrated delivery network CEOs, CIOs, CMOs, CFOs and others will exchange strategies with their peers on replicable and innovative delivery models, physician alignment and reimbursement, and efficient resource utilization to achieve operational excellence and successful reform implementation.

Specifically, the summit will address:

- Economic imperatives of changing delivery systems: profitability and sustainability in a reform environment
- Clinical integration, physician engagement and quality standards to deliver value-based care
- Delivering high value care: Business models that provide more coordinated, high-quality and cost-effective care
- Accelerating the pace of innovation in the delivery of care – transforming patient-centered care
- Achieving operational excellence – matching resources and utilization to meet the new delivery paradigm

Featured presenters include:

Shari M. Ling, MD, Deputy Chief Medical Officer, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

Nancy Howell Agee, President and CEO, Carilion Clinic

Kelvin A. Baggett, MD, Chief Medical Officer, Tenet Healthcare Corporation

Naomi Fried, PhD, Chief Innovation Officer, Children's Hospital Boston

Thomas J. Strauss, President and CEO, Summa Health System

Margaret Van Bree, CEO, St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital

Robert Wyllie, MD, Chief Medical & Surgical Operations, Professor, Lerner College of Medicine, Cleveland Clinic

Herbert Pardes, MD, Executive Vice Chairman of the Board; Former President and CEO, New York Presbyterian Hospital

James Hereford, Chief Operating Officer, Palo Alto Medical Foundation

WHAT: The 9th Annual World Health Care Congress

WHEN: April 16-18, 2012

WHERE: Washington, D.C.

PROGRAM AGENDA: www.worldhealthcarecongress.com

MEDIA REGISTRATION: www.worldhealthcarecongress.com/mediareg

About the 9th Annual World Health Care Congress

World Health Care Congress is World Congress' flagship event, gathering more than 1,600 global health care, pharmaceutical and employer executives and leaders in Washington, DC on April 16-18, 2012. The conference provides engaging keynote presentations, debates, co-located summits, case studies and emerging trend forums on the latest solutions to industry challenges.