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Dr. Maulik Joshi is new Editor in Chief of the *Journal for Healthcare Quality*

CHICAGO (August 14, 2009) – The National Association for Healthcare Quality (NAHQ) recently announced that Maulik Joshi, Dr.P.H., will be the new Editor in Chief of its official award-winning journal, the *Journal for Healthcare Quality (JHQ)*. Reaching more than 5,000 health professionals, faculty, and students, this widely read and respected publication is a professional forum that continuously advances healthcare quality practice in diverse and changing environments. *JHQ* is the journal of choice for creative and scientific solutions in healthcare quality.

Dr. Joshi is president of the Health Research & Educational Trust (HRET) and senior vice-president for research at the American Hospital Association (AHA). As the independent, not-for-profit research affiliate of the AHA, HRET conducts applied research in improving quality and patient safety, reducing costs, eliminating health disparities, improving leadership and governance, payment reform, and care coordination.

Before joining HRET, Dr. Joshi served as president and chief executive officer of the Network for Regional Healthcare Improvement and was previously a senior advisor for the office of the director at the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality. He also served as president and chief executive officer of the Delmarva Foundation for Medical Care, Inc., a not-for-profit quality improvement organization that was awarded the 2005 U.S. Senate Productivity Award, the highest award in the state of Maryland, based on the National Malcolm Baldrige criteria.

Dr. Joshi has a doctorate in public health and a master's in health services administration from the University of Michigan School of Public Health in Ann Arbor, MI, and a bachelor of science in mathematics from Lafayette College, Easton, PA. He is coeditor of *The Healthcare Quality Book: Vision, Strategy and Tools*, a graduate level textbook (Health Administration Press, second edition published October 2008), and author of *Healthcare Transformation: A Guide for the Hospital Board Member* (CRC Press and AHA Press, published May 2009).

Dr. Joshi officially assumed the position of Editor in Chief of *JHQ* on August 1, 2009.

“Dr. Joshi's bio makes clear his passion for and commitment to quality and patient safety,” says NAHQ Executive Director Stacy Sochacki. “With expertise in both quality and research, Dr. Joshi will help lead us into our journal's next phase of development and evolution. We are very enthused that he is joining NAHQ as Editor in Chief of *JHQ* and look forward to working with him.”



Wiley-Blackwell is proud of its partnership with NAHQ, publishing the innovative *JHQ* on its behalf. “The journal is a unique publication that covers all facets of healthcare quality issues and research,” said Angela Richardson, editor, Wiley-Blackwell Professional Journals. “Dr. Joshi’s experience means he’s a wonderful addition to the editorial team, and we are confident that he will be pivotal in ensuring the journal’s continued development and success.”

About the National Association for Healthcare Quality

The National Association for Healthcare Quality (NAHQ) is the first and only organization to offer the Certified Professional in Healthcare Quality (CPHQ) credential through its certifying arm, the Healthcare Quality Certification Board (HQCB). The CPHQ represents the highest standard of professional expertise and is the only accredited international voluntary certification program in healthcare quality.

NAHQ is an essential resource and dynamic interactive repository for knowledge sharing in the profession. It is the only healthcare quality organization offering comprehensive diversity by including and representing all facets of the healthcare quality arena (i.e., *all* settings and *all* specialty areas) to make available the most accurate, state-of-the-science knowledge to advance the quality of healthcare. Founded in 1976, NAHQ currently has more than 5,000 professional members and 100 institutional members who drive the delivery of vital data for effective decision making in healthcare systems by combining technology with their unique expertise in quality management. Visit www.nahq.org for more information.

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