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**STATEMENT ON THE NEW PRESIDENT OF NATIONAL QUALITY FORUM**

**Rich Umbdenstock  
President and CEO  
American Hospital Association**

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As a member of the NQF and on behalf of the hospital field that is implementing a wide variety of NQF endorsed measures, the AHA is delighted that such a stellar leader has been named to lead the NQF. Dr. Cassel is highly regarded by her fellow physicians and by hospital leaders, as someone who understands both the complexities of health care delivery and the importance of sound public policy. She constantly keeps her focus on doing the right thing for patients. For those reasons, she is the appropriate person to lead the NQF into the future.

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