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LOUISIANA HEALTH CARE QUALITY FORUM HOSTS
SUMMIT ON FUTURE HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE

BATON ROUGE, LA – (May 9, 2012) – The Louisiana Health Care Quality Forum will sponsor its Spring Summit on Tuesday, June 12, 2012, from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Baton Rouge Marriott. Entitled, Looking Ahead: The Future Health Care Workforce in Louisiana, the seminar will feature speakers discussing anticipated workforce needs related to physicians, nurses and allied health professionals.

Keynote speaker Mike Magee, MD, is widely recognized as a visionary leader of the home-centered health care movement. Other speakers who will share their expertise with attendees include Dr. Ben Sachs, MB, BS, DPH (Tulane University); Perry Rigby, MD (LSU School of Medicine); Cynthia Bienemy, Ph.D, RN (Louisiana State Board of Nursing); Robert Baye, PA (LSU Health Sciences School of Allied Health); and Karen Zoeller (Louisiana Hospital Association). The event is designed for health care providers and payers, employers and the general public.

Registration is $25 per person in advance and on-site registration is $35 per person, which includes continental breakfast and lunch. To register, visit www.lhcqf.org and click on “Sign-Up Summit” or email mtyler@lhcqf.org.

At press time, Summit sponsors include: Amedisys (Diamond); Blue Cross Blue Shield of Louisiana; Postlethwaite & Netterville; Tulane University School of Medicine (Platinum); Arcadia Solutions; Baton Rouge General Medical Center; Ochsner; Taylor Porter (Gold); AARP Louisiana; Capital One; Gallagher Healthcare; Louisiana Hospital Association; Louisiana State Medical Society; Orion Health; Zehnder Communications (Silver).

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About the Louisiana Health Care Quality Forum
The Louisiana Health Care Quality Forum is a private, not-for-profit organization, dedicated to advancing evidence-based, collaborative initiatives to improve the health of Louisiana residents. Its focus areas include quality measurement and analytics, clinical quality improvement, the patient-centered medical home/care coordination model, outreach/education and health information technology. The Forum is the State-Designated Entity to support health care providers and critical access/rural hospitals as they adopt and meaningfully use electronic health records and to lead the planning and implementation of the state’s health information exchange. For more information, visit www.lhcqf.org.