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**National Center for Healthcare Leadership Announces New Board Members**

Chicago – The National Center for Healthcare Leadership (NCHL) announced today that it has named the following individuals to its board of directors:

- Peter Butler, president and chief operating officer, Rush University Medical Center, and chairperson of the Department of Health Systems Management in the College of Health Sciences at Rush University, Chicago, who has been appointed board chair;
- Andrew Garman, PsyD, NCHL chief executive officer and associate chairperson of health systems management at Rush University;
- Paula Lantz, PhD, S.J. Axelrod Collegiate Professor and chair of the Department of Health Management and Policy in the University of Michigan School of Public Health, Ann Arbor;
- Christy Harris Lemak, PhD, NCHL chief academic officer and associate professor of health management and policy and director of the Griffith Leadership Center at the University of Michigan;
- R. Timothy Rice, president and CEO, Moses Cone Health System, Greensboro, NC;
- Amir Dan Rubin, president and CEO of Stanford Hospitals and Clinics, Stanford, CA.

These appointments follow the formation of a partnership between NCHL, Rush University Medical Center (Rush), and the University of Michigan School of Public Health to direct NCHL's Leadership Excellence Networks, other leadership collaboration efforts, evidence-based leadership programs and services, and research and demonstration projects. Formerly located in downtown Chicago, NCHL is currently headquartered at Rush, which is located on Chicago's near West Side.

“At a time when health care is undergoing tremendous change, the need for the highly effective leadership that NCHL cultivates is greater than ever. Rush University is recognized as a leader in using a teacher-practitioner model of learning, and I’m very pleased that Andrew Garman and I have the opportunity to help guide NCHL in its important work,” said board chair Peter Butler.

The new board members join the following individuals, who are continuing their service on the NCHL board:

- Christopher B. Begley, chief executive officer, Hospira, Lake Forest, IL;
- Patrick E. Connolly, president, Sodexo Healthcare, Simsbury, CT;
- Janet M. Corrigan, PhD, president and chief executive officer, National Quality Forum, Washington, DC;
- Joanne M. Disch, RN, PhD, director, Katharine J. Densford International Center for Nursing Leadership, University of Minnesota School of Nursing, Minneapolis;
- Michael J. Dowling, president and chief executive officer, North Shore-LIJ Health System, Great Neck, NY;
- Frederick Hessler, managing director, Citigroup, New York, NY;
- Elizabeth A. McGlynn, PhD, director, Kaiser Permanente, Pasadena, CA;
- Robert G. Riney, president and chief operating officer, Henry Ford Health System, Detroit, MI;
- Gail L. Warden, president emeritus, Henry Ford Health System.

“The partnership with NCHL is a natural fit for the University of Michigan Department of Health Management and Policy and Griffith Leadership Center given its leadership in the field. I am very much looking forward to working with NCHL to help prepare healthcare leaders to respond to the regulatory, financial, clinical, and technological changes that are transforming health care,” Lemak says.

“NCHL is extremely fortunate to be able to draw upon the combined strengths of these two outstanding institutions Rush University Medical Center and the University of Michigan,” says Warden, NCHL’s founding chair. “The new additions to the NCHL board and the deep expertise of our continuing board members position NCHL to play an even greater role in cultivating excellence in healthcare leadership in the future.”

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The National Center for Healthcare Leadership (NCHL) is a not-for-profit organization that is an industry catalyst to ensure the availability of accountable and transformational healthcare leadership for the 21st century. Its vision is to improve the health of the public through leadership and organizational excellence. As an authoritative and objective source on healthcare leadership, NCHL conducts research on global best practices and tests new models for leadership excellence within its Leadership Excellence Networks (LENS). NCHL operates as a partnership between Rush University Medical Center and the University of Michigan.

For more information please visit NCHL’s website at [www.nchl.org](http://www.nchl.org).