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Dr. Temm Earns Prestigious PCMH Content Expert Certification

Phoenix, AZ (**June 3, 2014**) – Temm & Associates, Inc., a national healthcare consulting firm, is pleased to announce that its founder, Dr. Mary F. Temm has earned the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH) Content Expert Certification.

NCQA developed the PCMH Content Expert Certification program in an effort to help practices and other interested parties identify experts with a demonstrated understanding of the NCQA PCMH Recognition Program and to provide professionals with a way to validate their knowledge bases.

The PCMH Content Expert Certification is a distinction that highlights an individual's comprehensive knowledge of the requirements, the application process and the documentation of the NCQA PCMH Recognition Program. This prestigious professional credential identifies an individual as an expert in the field and enables them to provide support and training of medical practices seeking to obtain recognition as a Patient-Centered Medical Home.

To earn the NCQA PCMH CEC credential, Dr. Temm was required to complete two rigorous PCMH education seminars and pass a comprehensive exam validating her knowledge of the NCQA Recognition standards and guidelines, application procedures, survey processes and documentation requirements.

"Certified NCQA Patient-Centered Medical Home Content Experts receive thorough training and demonstrate in-depth knowledge to assist organizations applying for NCQA PCMH Recognition." said NCQA President Margaret E. O'Kane.

"As the only Arizona-based independent consultant to achieve NCQA PCMH CEC status, I am able to offer the overall direction, assistance and expertise practices are seeking to achieve PCMH recognition status," said Dr. Mary Temm, founder and President of Temm & Associates, Inc. "The work our firm is doing with physician practices, clinics and health systems on their applications for PCMH Recognition and most importantly, implementation of the standards, is laying the foundation for a healthcare system that delivers more value by achieving the 'triple aim' of better quality, experience and cost."

About Temm & Associates, Inc.

Since 1992, Temm & Associates, Inc. has assisted healthcare organizations seize the opportunities presented by the ever-changing healthcare environment. Temm & Associates, Inc. has delivered physician-facing, population health management and data analytics solutions that assist clients improve both clinical and financial outcomes. Temm & Associates, Inc. provides

consulting, research and education services to help lead the transformation to coordinated, high-quality, cost-effective care. Temm & Associates, Inc. is a sought after partner to healthcare delivery systems, healthcare providers, local and national government agencies, insurers, Medicare and Medicaid health plans and other stakeholders on healthcare quality improvement initiatives. Learn more at www.temmandassociates.com.

About Patient-Centered Medical Homes

Medical Homes are the fastest growing delivery system innovation in recent years. Studies show they improve the quality of primary care, as well as patient and provider satisfaction with care. More than 10 percent of U.S. primary care practices – more than 35,500 clinicians at more than 7,000 practice sites - have earned NCQA PCMH Recognition. Many payers apply higher reimbursement rates to practices that have earned the NCQA PCMH Recognition.

About NCQA

The National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) is a private, not-for-profit organization dedicated to improving health care quality. NCQA accredits and certifies a wide range of health care organizations. It also recognizes clinicians and practices in key areas of performance. NCQA is committed to providing health care quality information for consumers, purchasers, healthcare providers and researchers. More information can be found on NCQA's website at www.ncqa.org.

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