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Local Healthcare Professionals Appointed to State HIE Advisory Committee

PEORIA, IL – July 5, 2011 – James Mormann, Senior Vice President and Chief Information Officer of OSF Healthcare System, and Dr. Gail Amundson, President and CEO of Quality Quest for Health of Illinois, have both been appointed to the Illinois Health Information Exchange Advisory Committee by the Illinois Health Information Exchange Authority Board of Directors.

Health information exchange (HIE) allows the safe and secure portability of patient medical records among different healthcare providers so that patients have their healthcare information when and where it is needed. The advisory committee is a multi-stakeholder group that provides input to the Governor-appointed authority as decisions are made about HIE at the state level. In central Illinois, HIE is being planned under the newly formed non-profit Central Illinois Health Information Exchange.

OSF HealthCare, owned and operated by The Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis, Peoria, Illinois, includes OSF Healthcare System consisting of seven acute care facilities, one long-term care facility and two colleges of nursing.

Quality Quest for Health of Illinois is a non-profit regional health improvement collaborative working to transform healthcare in the state.

Central Illinois Health Information Exchange is an independent nonprofit organization incubated under the auspices of Quality Quest for Health of Illinois. Member organizations include: Advocate Bromenn Medical Center, Normal; Decatur Memorial Hospital; Easter Seals - Peoria & Bloomington-Normal & Decatur; Heartland Community Health Clinic, Peoria; Human Service Center, Peoria; Methodist Medical Center of Illinois, Peoria; OSF Saint Francis Medical Center, Peoria; Proctor Hospital, Peoria; St. Mary's Hospital, Decatur; St. Mary's Hospital, Streator; and the University of Illinois College of Medicine at Peoria.

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