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NHS SCOTLAND'S DEREK FEELEY TO JOIN IHI AS EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

Feeley to lead IHI's growing international work and further drive leadership in key areas

Cambridge, MA – April 22, 2013 – [The Institute for Healthcare Improvement](http://www.ihionline.org) (IHI), a leading innovator in health and health care improvement worldwide, today announced that Derek Feeley will join the organization as Executive Vice President, effective September 1, 2013. Mr. Feeley is currently the Director General for Health and Social Care in the Scottish Government and the Chief Executive of NHS Scotland, as well as a globally recognized health system leader, having led Scotland's ground-breaking Patient Safety Program.

At IHI, Mr. Feeley will have executive level responsibility for driving IHI's strategy across five core focus areas: Improvement Capability; Patient Safety; Patient and Family Engagement; Quality, Cost and Value; and the Health of Populations. His role will be international in scope, guiding ongoing work on six continents in support of IHI's mission to improve health and health care around the world.

“We are delighted Derek Feeley is joining IHI and bringing deep experience with health care quality improvement across an entire country. Under Mr. Feeley's leadership, NHS Scotland has made significant system-level progress in patient safety and quality – and those key learnings are crucial to the challenges now facing health care in the US and around the world,” stated Maureen Bisognano, President and CEO of IHI.

Mr. Feeley's career spans more than 30 years, with deep experience successfully leading large-scale change. In his current position, he is the principal adviser to Scottish Ministers on health and care issues and he provides direction to the work of NHS Boards in ensuring the delivery of high quality health care. Previously, he was Director of Healthcare Policy and Strategy, responsible for advising the Scottish Government on all health care quality issues, including patient safety, and he also led work around health care information technology.

From 2002 to 2004, he served as Principal Private Secretary to Scotland's First Minister. He developed a framework for service change in the NHS in Scotland, was a 2005-06 Harkness/ Health Foundation Fellow in Health Care Policy and spent a year working with Kaiser Permanente and the Veteran's Health Administration in the US.

Mr. Feeley added, “I am delighted to be joining IHI in its mission to improve health and health care while simultaneously lowering costs. IHI is recognized across the globe as the world leader in its field and it is a great privilege to be asked to help lead their strategic and international programs.”

Alide Chase, senior vice president for Medicare Clinical Operations and Population Care for Kaiser Foundation Health Plan, Inc. and executive director of Kaiser Permanente's Care Management Institute stated: "We couldn't be more excited about Derek joining IHI, where his expertise can be leveraged to impact health care quality, cost and value worldwide. As health care organizations in the U.S. look to care for tens of thousands of new Medicare patients, Derek's direct experience improving the health, safety and care experience of the population, as well as delivering care at an affordable cost will be invaluable. Partnering with IHI over the past several years, Kaiser Permanente has seen measurable improvements in quality and safety across the system; we're thrilled to continue that work and look forward to Derek's direct involvement."

About The Institute for Healthcare Improvement

IHI is a leading innovator in health and health care improvement worldwide. For more than 25 years, we have partnered with an ever-growing community of visionaries, leaders, and front-line practitioners around the globe to spark bold, inventive ways to improve the health of individuals and populations. Together, we build the will for change, seek out innovative models of care, and spread proven best practices. When it comes to raising the quality of health for all, IHI sees boundless possibilities and while we see the walls in front of us, we will not rest until we reach the other side. Learn more at ihi.org.

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