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IHI WELCOMES MARK D. SMITH TO ITS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Cambridge, MA – September 10, 2013 – [The Institute for Healthcare Improvement](http://www.ihionline.org) (IHI), a leading innovator in health and health care improvement worldwide, today announced California HealthCare Foundation (CHCF) President and Chief Executive Officer Mark D. Smith, MD, MBA, has joined its board of directors.

Dr. Smith has held the position of president and CEO of CHCF, an independent philanthropy dedicated to improving the health of the people of California, since its formation in 1996. Prior to joining the organization, he was executive vice president at the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation. Dr. Smith also previously served as associate director of AIDS services and assistant professor of medicine and of health policy and management at Johns Hopkins University.

“I am very pleased to welcome Mark to IHI’s board, and look forward to his insight and expertise as a result of his long standing leadership and commitment to improving the health of California’s population,” stated Maureen Bisognano, president and CEO of IHI. “Mark will lend crucial perspective to the models needed for the nation as a whole, and help IHI deepen its focus on the Triple Aim for Populations – one of our five key work areas – along with Improvement Capability; Person- and Family-Centered Care; Patient Safety; and Quality, Cost, and Value.”

A board-certified internist, Dr. Smith is a member of the clinical faculty at the University of California, San Francisco, and an attending physician at the Positive Health Program for AIDS care at San Francisco General Hospital. He is also a member of the Institute of Medicine (IOM). Dr. Smith has served on the board of the National Business Group on Health, the performance measurement committee of the National Committee for Quality Assurance, and the editorial board of the *Annals of Internal Medicine*.

Dr. Smith received a bachelor's degree in Afro-American studies from Harvard College, a medical doctorate from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and a master's in business, with a concentration in health care administration, from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania.

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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