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## News Release

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### **Institute for Clinical Systems Improvement (ICSI) Announces New Board Members**

MINNEAPOLIS — (November 16, 2007) — The Institute for Clinical Systems Improvement (ICSI), a Minnesota-based health care improvement collaborative, has announced new appointments to its board of directors.

New directors include: David C. Herman, MD, head of Mayo Clinic's integrated primary care division in Rochester, Minn.; Rachele Schultz, president and CEO of Winona Health in Winona, Minn.; and Charles Hipp, MD, MPH, president of Stillwater Medical Group in Stillwater, Minn.

Three alternates to the board were also announced: Rob Stroebel, MD, and Sidna Tulledge-Scheitel, MD, MPH, both consultants in primary care internal medicine at Mayo Clinic, and Elizabeth (Beth) Hartquist MD, chief of primary care administration at Park Nicollet Health Services in St. Louis Park, Minn.

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“We are delighted to welcome the new energy represented by these appointments,” said John Allen, MD, MBA, Minnesota Gastroenterology, chair of the ICSI board of directors. “These professionals are doing exciting work on health care improvement in their own organizations, and we know they’ll inspire their ICSI colleagues to create even greater transformational change in health care.”

### **About ICSI**

Located in Bloomington, Minn., ICSI ([www.icsi.org](http://www.icsi.org)) is an independent, nonprofit collaboration of medical groups and hospitals that provide health care services to people who live and work in Minnesota and in surrounding states. The combined medical groups and hospital systems represent more than 9,600 physicians.

ICSI was founded by HealthPartners Medical Group, Mayo Clinic and Park Nicollet Health Services in 1993. Today, ICSI has 61 members and is sponsored by six Minnesota health plans — Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota, HealthPartners, Medica, Metropolitan Health Plan, PreferredOne and UCare Minnesota. Its mission is to champion the cause of health care quality and to accelerate improvement in the value of the health care delivered by the participating organizations to the populations they serve.

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