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PROPEER PRESIDENT NAMED TO URAC HEALTH STANDARDS COMMITTEE

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah—Richard J. Lynch, president of ProPeer Resources, Inc., has been appointed to serve on the URAC Health Standards Committee. Lynch, who is a member of the National Association of Independent Review Organizations, was named to the committee in May.

Lynch and the other members of the URAC Standards Committee are responsible for the maintenance of all URAC accreditation standards, which are typically updated every few years. The Standards Committee includes representatives from many different stakeholder perspectives who debate and discuss ways that URAC can most appropriately define quality standards for each type of healthcare organization they accredit. During the standards development and revision process, URAC also releases draft standards to the public so that all interested parties may have an opportunity to comment. For new standards, URAC also conducts a beta-testing process to evaluate the draft standards in a real world environment.

“I am very excited about the opportunity I have to serve on the Standards Committee,” says Lynch. “It’s my understanding that our team is to assist URAC in defining its quality standards and I look forward to the challenges and opportunities this appointment brings with it, as well as the opportunity to work with members who represent so many different perspectives.”

Lynch was nominated for the committee position by his colleagues at the National Association of Independent Review Organizations (NAIRO). His company, ProPeer Resources, Inc. is headquartered in Woods Cross, Utah.

About URAC

URAC, an independent, nonprofit organization, is well-known as a leader in promoting health care quality through its accreditation and certification programs. URAC offers a wide range of quality benchmarking programs and services that keep pace with the rapid changes in the health care system, and provide a symbol of excellence for organizations

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to validate their commitment to quality and accountability. Through its broad-based governance structure and an inclusive standards development process, URAC ensures that all stakeholders are represented in establishing meaningful quality measures for the entire health care industry.

About NAIRO

The National Association of Independent Review Organizations (NAIRO) was formed by the majority of American Association HealthCare Commission (URAC)-accredited Independent Review Organizations (IRO). The need for uniform regulations from state to state and a uniform application process is what brought us together. Our goal is to simplify the regulated IRO/ERO application process and review requirements among the states.

NAIRO is dedicated to protecting the integrity of the independent medical review process. NAIRO represents the majority of URAC-accredited IROs. Utilizing the expertise of hundreds of board-certified clinicians throughout the country, its members embrace an evidence-based medical case review approach to resolve coverage disputes between enrollees and their health plans.

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