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Dear Colleague:

The National Minority Quality Forum and the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, Inc., in cooperation with the Congressional Black Caucus Health Braintrust, are hosting the 2010 Spring Health Braintrust and 7th Annual Leadership Summit and Awards Dinner on **April 19-20, 2010 at the Ritz Carlton** 1150 22nd Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.!

Our theme this year is **The Emerging Majority, Health Care Reform, and The 2010 Elections: Mobilizing for a 21st Century Health Care System!**

The 2010 Congressional elections are on the horizon. We must identify the issues that will advance the cause of building a health care system that is capable of providing quality care for America's increasingly diverse population. The need for action is now. During the 2010 Spring Health Braintrust and Health Disparities Leadership Summit, issues that are integral to health equity and the elimination of all health care and health status disparities will be explored, including:

- Does our Clinical Trial Infrastructure Support Research in Minority Health?
- The Health IT Revolution and its Implications for Minority Health?
- Health Care Quality: Can We Afford to Wait for the Genomics Revolution?
- Measuring the Quality of Care in Community-Based Hospitals: What Do We Need to Know and How Can We Know It?
- What Have We Learned About Menthol in Tobacco, Tobacco Control and Programs That Work?
- Health Equity Through Reconciliation: What Do We Need To Do Now and How Do We Get It Done?

As in previous years, we will confer awards to noted individuals and entities for their contributions to achieve health equity and improve the health, health care and well being of all Americans.

To register, go to www.nmqf.org, click on Annual Summit, 2010 Leadership Summit. On the left menu bar, select the appropriate Registration Link. You will be able to make your hotel reservations at the Ritz Carlton in the registration website, as well. If you have any questions about the registration process, please contact Gretchen C. Wartman at 202-223-7560.

Please join us in our efforts to achieve health equity and justice for all Americans!

With warm regards,

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