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**New Report: “Out of Order, Out of Time:
The State of the Nation’s Health Workforce”
Breakfast Briefing
THURSDAY, JULY 17, 2008
9:30 – 11:30 a.m. ET**

Without immediate action to address the looming health workforce crises, the U.S. is at risk of losing its status as the global health care leader, warns a new report. *Out of Order, Out of Time: The State of the Nation’s Health Workforce* notes that the nation is running out of time to address the health workforce and calls for immediate action to create the infrastructure for policymaking that will respond to 21st century needs.

The report, conducted by the Association of Academic Health Centers (AAHC), recognizes that current fragmented and uncoordinated health workforce policymaking cannot solve the urgent systemic problems we face, and calls for a new, comprehensive and integrated national approach to health workforce policymaking and planning. The report will be unveiled at a press briefing where a panel of experts representing academic health centers will discuss the academic health center enterprise perspective on key findings and recommendations to help avert a health workforce crisis.

- SPEAKERS:**
- Steven Wartman**, MD, PhD, MACP, President and CEO, Association of Academic Health Centers
 - Nancy W. Dickey**, MD, President, Texas A&M University System Health Science Center; Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs, Texas A&M University System
 - Daniel W. Rahn**, MD, President, Medical College of Georgia; Senior Vice Chancellor of Health and Medical Programs, University System of Georgia
 - Sheldon M. Retchin**, MD, MSPH, Chief Executive Officer, Virginia Commonwealth University Health System; Vice President for Health Sciences, Virginia Commonwealth University

MODERATOR: **John Iglehart**, Founding Editor, *Health Affairs*; National Correspondent, *New England Journal of Medicine*

WHEN: **Thursday, July 17, 2008 ~ 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.**
(Breakfast will be provided)

WHERE: **National Press Club ~ Washington, D.C.**
Murrow Room
529 14th Street, NW

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