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Prevent Blindness President & CEO Jeff Todd to Lead 2024 National Health Council Board of Directors

(WASHINGTON, DC, December 12, 2023) At its annual membership meeting today, the National Health Council (NHC) elected its officers and Board of Directors members for 2024. **Jeff Todd**, President & Chief Executive Officer of Prevent Blindness, was named the Chair of the NHC Board of Directors for 2024. Other members of the Executive Committee are: Chair Elect **Schroeder Stribling**, President & Chief Executive Officer, Mental Health America; Vice Chair **Michael Osso**, President & Chief Executive Officer, Crohn's & Colitis Foundation; Secretary **Sue Peschin**, President & Chief Executive Officer, Alliance for Aging Research; Treasurer **Harold Wimmer**, National President & Chief Executive Officer, American Lung Association; and Immediate Past Chair **Kenny Mendez**, President & Chief Executive Officer, Asthma & Allergy Foundation of America.

"Jeff Todd is an excellent choice to lead our Board in 2024," said Randall Rutta, the NHC's Chief Executive Officer. "His experience, expertise and commitment to advancing equitable access to health care will serve us well as we navigate the complex political, societal, and technological changes that lie ahead for the patient communities we serve."

Seven new members are joining the 2024 NHC Board of Directors: **Charles Henderson**, Chief Executive Officer, American Diabetes Association; **Louise Vetter**, President & Chief Executive Officer, Huntington's Disease Society of America; **Jorey Berry**, President & Chief Executive Officer, Immune Deficiency Foundation; **Kathryn G. Schubert**, President & Chief Executive Officer, Society for Women's Health Research; **Michael Ybarra**, MD, Chief Medical Officer, PhRMA; **Sunita Mishra**, MD, Chief Medical Officer, Amazon Health Services; and **Michele M. Oshman**, Vice President, External Affairs, Biotechnology Innovation Organization (BIO).

These new members join current Board members re-elected to new three-year terms: **Mendez; Osso; Stribling; Wimmer;** and **Julie Gerberding**, MD, Chief Executive Officer, Foundation for the National Institutes of Health.

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Created by and for patient organizations more than 100 years ago, the National Health Council (NHC) brings diverse organizations together to forge consensus and drive patient-centered health policy. We promote increased access to affordable, high-value, sustainable health care. Made up of more than 160 national health-related organizations and businesses, the NHC's core membership includes the nation's leading patient organizations. Other members include health-related associations and nonprofit organizations including the provider, research, and family caregiver communities; and businesses representing biopharmaceutical, device, diagnostic, generic drug, and payer organizations. Learn more at:

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