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ClearHealth Quality Institute to unveil new Telemedicine Accreditation Program at ATA's Fall Forum
Conference to be held Oct. 2-4 in Washington D.C.

Annapolis, MD / PR Web / September 22, 2017 – ClearHealth Quality Institute™ (CHQI), an independent health care accrediting body that incorporates the next generation of quality and outcomes measures, will host a pre-conference workshop and serve as a featured exhibitor at the American Telemedicine Association (ATA) Fall Forum – *Edge 2017*. The conference will be held October 2-4, at the Marriott Wardman Park, located in Washington, D.C. The annual forum will focus on three areas critical to the future of telemedicine: policy, strategy, and action.

At the *Edge 2017* conference, CHQI will launch its [Fall 2017 Educational Series](#), which will highlight the new accreditation programs it is developing, including telemedicine. “We are excited to offer the very first public preview of our Telemedicine Accreditation Program at one of the premier national events in the field,” says Doug Clarke, CHQI’s executive director, accreditation programs.

“Telemedicine is playing an important role in health care under the current medical model, and that role will increase as the model evolves and patients demand more from providers,” says Sabrina Smith, Dr.HA, ATA’s interim CEO. “As the range of modalities of telemedicine increases, we recognize the need to protect the integrity, quality, and security of patient/provider interactions, and look forward to continue working with CHQI on their new telemedicine accreditation program to be unveiled at ATA’s *Edge 2017* conference.” In May, CHQI and the ATA announced a strategic partnership to develop the next generation of telemedicine performance and quality standards.

CHQI’s pre-conference workshop, entitled *An Introduction to the New Telemedicine Accreditation Program Standards*, will be held on October 2, from 1-4 p.m. EDT. Attendees will have an opportunity to network with CHQI leaders and learn about its Telemedicine Accreditation Program (TAP), the application process, and how TAP may improve an organization’s credibility and negotiating position with health insurance plans and other payors. For details about the *Edge 2017* conference and to register, click [here](#). For a full list of CHQI’s upcoming events, click [here](#).

“This is an exciting time in health care,” says Michael D. Reisman, JD, MA, CHQI president. “Our aim is to build a value-based, accountable care health system by offering innovative accreditation, compliance monitoring, and outcomes measurement programs.” CHQI’s future offerings include two accreditation programs for health insurers, focusing respectively on behavioral health parity compliance and insurance appeals.

To obtain more information about CHQI accreditation programs and our Fall 2017 Educational Series, contact Julie Irons, manager of accreditation programs, at (410) 696-7634 or via email at info@chqi.com.

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