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## **Mary Naylor, PhD, RN, FAAN, to speak at Stormont-Vail HealthCare's 2010 Nursing Symposium**

**TOPEKA** -- The 2010 Stormont-Vail HealthCare Nursing Research Symposium is scheduled for Nov. 2 at the Pozez Education Center. This year's symposium will feature Mary D. Naylor, PhD, RN, FAAN, and Marian S. Ware Professor in Gerontology and Director of NewCourtland Center for Transitions and Health at the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing.

Since 1990, Dr. Naylor has led a multidisciplinary program of research designed to improve the quality of care, decrease unnecessary hospitalizations and reduce health care costs for vulnerable, community-based elders. To date, Dr. Naylor and her research team have completed three National Institutes of Health (NIH) funded randomized clinical trials testing and refining the Transitional Care Model (TCM), an innovative approach to addressing the needs of high risk chronically-ill elders and their family caregivers. In the 1990s, she co-led the establishment of a Program of All-Inclusive Care (PACE) at Penn's School of Nursing.

Dr. Naylor is the National Program Director for the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation sponsored Interdisciplinary Nursing Quality Research Initiative. She was elected to the National Academy of Sciences, Institute of Medicine (IOM) in 2005. She also is a member of the RAND Health Board, the National Quality Forum Board of Directors and Chair of the Long Term Quality Alliance. Most recently, Dr. Naylor was appointed to the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission (MedPAC), an independent Congressional agency established in 1997 to advise the U.S. Congress on access to care, cost, quality of care, and other key issues affecting Medicare.

The schedule of events for the symposium include paper and poster presentations, as well as Dr. Naylor's presentation entitled, *Transitional Care Model: The Path from Science to Clinical Practice and Health Policy*.

For more information or to register to attend this event, call (785) 354-5831.

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