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Mary D. Naylor, PhD, FAAN, RN Named Pool Trustee

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Allentown, PA (March 8, 2011) – The Trustees of The Dorothy Rider Pool Health Care Trust are pleased to announce that Mary D. Naylor, PhD, FAAN, RN, Marian S. Ware Professor in Gerontology and director of the NewCourtland Center for Transitions and Health at the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing, will join the Board. Dr. Naylor joins John P. Jones III, Retired Chairman and CEO, Air Products and Chemicals, Inc.; Carol M. McCarthy, PhD, JD, Attorney at Law, Ober, Kaler, Grimes & Shriver; James O. Woolliscroft, MD, Dean of the University of Michigan Medical School and corporate trustee, Denise M. Gargan, CIMA, MBA, Vice President, PNC Bank, N.A.

“Dr. Naylor’s service will continue a long legacy of solid leadership at the Trust,” noted Edward F. Meehan, MPH, Executive Director of the Trust. “In addition to all the necessary experience, skills and attributes required for a member of a philanthropic governing body, Dr. Naylor possesses a keen understanding of interdisciplinary quality programs, evidence-based and outcomes research, health professional education and its future. This will be enormously helpful as we carry out our mission.”

For more than two decades, Dr. Naylor has led an interdisciplinary program of research designed to improve the quality of care, decrease unnecessary hospitalizations, and reduce healthcare costs for vulnerable, community-based elders. Previously, Dr. Naylor co-led the more...
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establishment of a Program of All-Inclusive Care (PACE) at Penn's School of Nursing. Dr. Naylor is also the National Program Director for the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation program, Interdisciplinary Nursing Quality Research Initiative, aimed at generating, disseminating, and translating research to understand how nurses contribute to quality patient care. She was elected to the National Academy of Sciences, Institute of Medicine in 2005. She also is a member of the RAND Health Board, the National Quality Forum Board of Directors and chairs the Board of the Long-Term Quality Alliance. She is also a member of the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission.

The Dorothy Rider Pool Health Care Trust was founded in 1976 by the estate of Leonard Parker Pool and named for his wife, Dorothy Rider Pool. The Trust’s mission is to serve as a resource that enables Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN) to be a superior regional hospital and improve the health of the citizens of the region it serves. The Trust’s grantmaking, more than $10 million in the last 12 months and $115 million since its inception, has provided resources to LVHN to support clinical innovation; medical, nursing, and allied health professions education; health services research; and programs to improve community health. Its shared goal with LVHN is to have a dramatic, demonstrable, and sustained positive impact on the health of the citizens of the Lehigh Valley. Please visit the Pool Trust’s website at www.pooltrust.org for more information.

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