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Mountain-Pacific Quality Health Announces Appointment of new CEO

(**Helena, Mont**.) – Mountain-Pacific Quality Health's board of directors announced today the appointment of the nonprofit organization's new chief executive officer (CEO). Jill Alessi will take on the roles and responsibilities of CEO starting Monday, April 3.

Alessi has more than 20 years of experience in health care and health care operations. She is also an experienced business leader in developing and growing strategic programs that support health outcomes and quality health care and address fiscal responsibility and social determinants of health. Alessi is also a registered nurse and holds a master's degree in health care administration.

"We were very impressed with Jill's innovative ideas, professionalism and experience," said Mountain-Pacific Board Chair Allison Minugh, PhD, who is the CEO at Datacorp out of Cheyenne, Wyoming. "She will build on what Mountain-Pacific has accomplished over the past 50 years and lead us into our next phase of growth and service."

Alessi was appointed after a nationwide search and an extensive selection process involving the organization's board of directors and leadership staff. She succeeds Sara Medley, who retired from Mountain-Pacific in February.

"I am honored to lead this organization," Alessi says. "I am so inspired by the work Mountain-Pacific does and the intelligent, passionate and creative professionals I've already met who do that great work. Mountain-Pacific supports so many health care providers, professionals and patients, and I strive to empower the leaders, partners and staff to achieve even greater success."

About Mountain-Pacific Quality Health

Mountain-Pacific is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit health care improvement organization that holds federal, state and commercial contracts to support quality of care for Medicare and Medicaid members and, by extension, all patients and families. Mountain-Pacific works to help improve the delivery of health care and the systems that provide it. Mountain-Pacific's goal is to increase access to high-quality health care that is affordable, safe and of value to the patients they serve. Learn more at www.mpqhf.org.