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DREWS NAMED CEO OF 9HEALTH FAIR

Denver, CO —Gary Drews has been appointed Chief Executive Officer of 9Health Fair by the Board of Trustees, it was announced today.

“We are delighted that Gary has accepted the position of CEO,” said Erin Eiselein, chair of the Board of Trustees. “Gary’s tremendous leadership experience in the health care sector and track record of improving every organization with which he has been affiliated make him the right person to lead 9Health Fair forward.”

An accomplished executive leader, Drews served as the interim CEO and Executive Director of Connect for Health Colorado, the state’s health insurance exchange. During his one-year appointment, Drews led the organization through a strategic planning process while enrolling over 150,000 Coloradans.

Prior to Connect for Health, Drews was the Chief Financial Officer and Vice President, Finance, Investments & Graduate Medical Education for the Colorado Health Foundation from 2006-2013. His leadership responsibilities included strategic finance and planning overseeing a \$100m+ budget; mission and portfolio investment management (\$2.3b); hospital system joint venture management (7 hospitals); graduate medical education academic affairs (5 residencies); and accounting, facilities, and legal.

“I couldn’t be more proud and excited to join the 9Health Fair family,” Drews said. “This cherished Colorado organization and its far-reaching network of volunteers has worked tirelessly throughout its 36-year history not only to help Colorado continue towards its goal of becoming the healthiest state in the nation, but also literally to save lives.

With uncertainties facing our health and health care environments, 9Health Fair has both the challenge and the opportunity to impact lives for the better through the kind of innovation and dedication that have been the hallmarks of their work. It will be my honor to join this effort.”

Drews also brings a diverse array of experience as a leader in other industries including, Chief Operating Officer at Regis University (2001-2006), Chief Financial Officer at the Colorado Outward Bound School (1994-2001); and over 10 years as a television producer and executive at Walt Disney Studios.

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Drews holds a master of arts degree from the Annenberg School of Communications at the University of Southern California, and a bachelor of science degree in business administration from the University of Colorado in Boulder.

About 9Health Fair

9Health Fair advances health awareness, providing people with the tools they need to take responsibility for their own health. 9Health Fair makes available life-saving, professional health screenings and education programs in over 130 sites in communities throughout Colorado and beyond (Nebraska, Wyoming, Kansas). Started in 1970 by the National Institutes of Health and 9NEWS, 9Health Fair became an independent 501(c)(3) non-profit organization in 1987 and has impacted 2 million lives in its 36-year history. 9Health Fair is Colorado's largest non-profit, volunteer-driven health fair program and holds unique endorsements from the Colorado Medical Society, the Colorado Nurses Association and the Colorado Hospital Association. Major sponsors for 9Health Fair include 9NEWS, Quest Diagnostics, Comcast and King Soopers. Special thanks to The Colorado National Guard for its continued 9Health Fair support through delivering supplies to volunteers and sites around the state.

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