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George C. Halvorson was named chairman and chief executive officer of Kaiser Foundation Health Plan, Inc. and Kaiser Foundation Hospitals, headquartered in Oakland, Calif. in March 2002. Kaiser Permanente is the nation's largest nonprofit health plan, serving more than 8.4 million members. Halvorson is the author of widely acclaimed books on the U.S. health care system including the recently released *Health Care Reform Now!* He also wrote *Health Care Co-ops in Uganda*, *Strong Medicine* and *Epidemic of Care*, which Warren Buffet said was "by far the clearest explanation of how we have gotten to where we are in health care and what is likely to happen."

Mr. Halvorson serves as Secretary of the Partnership for Quality Care, and serves on a number of boards, including those of America's Health Insurance Plans (AHIP), where he is the 2007-2008 Chairman, and the Alliance of Community Health Plans. He is the current president of the Board of Directors for the International Federation of Health Plans and a member of the Harvard Kennedy School Healthcare Delivery Policy Group. Mr. Halvorson also serves on the Institute of Medicine Task Force on Evidence Based Medicine and on the Commonwealth Fund Commission on a High Performance Health System.