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**SAN JOAQUIN BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
APPOINTS OPHTHAMOLOGIST FOR  
HEALTH PLAN OF SAN JOAQUIN (HPSJ) GOVERNING BOARD**

(French Camp, CA) – San Joaquin County Director of Health Care Services **Greg Diederich** – chair of the San Joaquin Health Commission – has announced that the San Joaquin County Board of Supervisors has formally appointed **John H. Zeiter, MD** to the board of the Health Commission, the governing board of Health Plan of San Joaquin (HPSJ).

Board certified in ophthalmology, Dr. Zeiter is a long-time Central Valley resident with over 25 years of surgical experience. He is the managing partner of Zeiter Eye Medical Group, which has multiple locations including Stockton, Lodi, Tracy and Manteca, and a clinical professor of ophthalmology at the University of California, Davis (UC Davis) Eye Center.

A graduate of Baylor College of Medicine (Houston, Texas), Dr. Zeiter completed his ophthalmology training at the Kresge Eye Institute, Wayne State University (Detroit, Michigan). He has published over 20 articles in medical journals and books in the areas of cataract surgery and glaucoma. Dr. Zeiter received his bachelor of science in biochemistry from UC Davis.

Dr. Zeiter recently completed his 2015-2016 term as president of the San Joaquin Medical Society (SJMS). In his last President’s Message, published in SJMS’s Physician Magazine, Dr. Zeiter wrote, “For living in an underserved, rural county, our physicians and hospitals provide top-notch, state-of-the-art treatment, with the latest technology available to patients of every race and socio-economic level.” Health Plan of San Joaquin (HPSJ) was established 20 years ago to provide access to quality healthcare for the underserved, and to advance wellness through community partnerships.

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“With his commitment to bringing the finest health care to the northern Central Valley, and his vast experience as a doctor, community and medical leader, teacher, and mentor for new generations of dedicated, bright health care professionals, Dr. Zeiter is an invaluable addition to the Commission as we continue to bring provider voices to HPSJ governance,” Diederich said.

#### **About HPSJ**

HPSJ, a not-for-profit health plan, has been serving members and the community since 1996. Located in the heart of California’s multicultural Central Valley, HPSJ is the leading Medi-Cal Managed Care provider in San Joaquin and Stanislaus counties. HPSJ offers a broad network of providers and works closely with physicians to develop programs and services to ensure quality health care for over 337,000 members.

HPSJ is currently one of only 12 health plans in California with NCQA Accreditation for a managed care Medi-Cal program. Medicaid is known as Medi-Cal in California. Only 160 Medicaid/HMO plans in the U.S. had this NCQA seal at the time of HPSJ’s 2015 Accreditation.

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**Photo:** (credit: HPSJ, July 2016) –

**John H. Zeiter, MD, FCCP, FACP**

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