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**Grace-Marie Turner, President**

## **Galen Institute**

Grace-Marie Turner is president of the Galen Institute, a public policy research organization that she founded in 1995 to promote an informed debate over free-market ideas for health reform. In addition, she serves on her own time a volunteer advisor on health policy to the presidential campaign of Sen. John McCain.

Grace-Marie speaks and writes extensively about incentives to promote a more competitive, patient-friendly marketplace in the health sector, developing and promoting ideas that transfer power over health care decisions to doctors and patients.

Grace-Marie speaks frequently in the U.S. and abroad, including at the London School of Economics, Oxford University, and the Gregorian University at the Vatican in Rome.

She testifies regularly before Congress and advises the White House, other senior administration officials, governors, and state legislators on health policy.

Grace-Marie just completed a three-year term as a member of the National Advisory Council of Healthcare Research and Quality and recently served as a member of the Medicaid Commission, charged with making recommendations to modernize and improve Medicaid.

Grace-Marie is founder and facilitator of the Health Policy Consensus Group which serves as a forum for analysts from market-oriented think tanks around the country to analyze and develop policy recommendations. She is the editor of *Empowering Health Care Consumers through Tax Reform* and produces a widely-read weekly electronic newsletter, *Health Policy Matters*. She has been published in major newspapers, including *The Wall Street Journal* and *USA Today*, she has appeared on ABC's *20/20* and on hundreds of radio and television programs in the U.S. She also received the 2007 Outstanding Achievement Award for Promotion of Consumer Driven Health Care from Consumer Health World.

In the mid-1990s, Grace-Marie served as executive director of the National Commission on Economic Growth and Tax Reform. For 12 years, she was president of Arnett & Co., a health policy analysis and communications firm. Her early career was in politics and journalism, where she received numerous awards for her writings on economic policy.

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