



DentaQuest Foundation 2009 Annual Report Receives Silver Medal from Council on Foundations for Excellence in Communications

Denver, CO — April, 2010 -- The Council on Foundations has recognized the DentaQuest Foundation's 2009 Annual Report as a Silver Medalist in its Wilmer Shields Rich Awards Program for Excellence in Communications. The award was presented during the Council on Foundations 2010 Annual Conference April 25-27 in Denver. (www.cof.org/annualconf)

The *Wilmer Shields Rich Awards Program for Excellence in Communications* recognizes grantmaking foundations and corporate giving programs for excellence in communication strategies and techniques that advance their grantmaking goals. The award began in 1984 and is named after Wilmer Shields Rich, the first executive director of the National Council on Community Foundations (now the Council on Foundations). She was an early champion of public accountability by charitable foundations, which she encouraged through publications and other forums.

The DentaQuest Foundation was among 71 foundations receiving awards in six different communications categories (annual or biennial reports, electronic publications, magazines/periodicals, special reports, public information campaigns, and Web sites). Awardees were evaluated on overall outcomes and impact, message and design effectiveness, and organization of content.

About the Council on Foundations

The Council on Foundations is a Washington, DC, area-based nonprofit membership association of more than 2,100 grantmaking foundations and corporations. The assets of Council members total more than \$307 billion. As the voice of philanthropy, the Council works to create an environment in which the movement can grow and thrive, and to provide Council members with the products and services they need to do their best work. For more information, please visit the Council's Web site at www.cof.org.

About the DentaQuest Foundation

The DentaQuest Foundation is committed to optimal oral health for all Americans through its support of prevention and access to affordable oral health care, and through its partnerships with funders, policy makers and community leaders. For more information please visit the Foundation's website at www.dentaquestfoundation.org.

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