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**David F. Durenberger
Chair
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David Durenberger served as Senior United States Senator for Minnesota from 1978 to 1995. He serves now as Senior Health Policy Fellow at the University of St. Thomas in Minneapolis Minnesota and chairs the National Institute of Health Policy (NIHP).

The NIHP plays a unique role in healthcare reform in the United States. NIHP members are healthcare, health plan, and business organizations from six states in the Upper Midwest whose goal is to change the healthcare system from the inside out and thereby influence national health policy change.

Senator Durenberger gained national health policy leadership as a 16-year member of the Senate Finance Committee plus six years as Health Subcommittee Chair. He served eight years on the Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee and 12 on the Environment Committee.

Today, he influences the future of the nation's two major public health programs as a member of the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission (MedPAC), the Kaiser Foundation Commission on the Future of Medicaid and the Uninsured, the National Committee on Quality Assurance (NCQA) and the National Commission for Quality Long-term Care. He is also Advisory Board Chair of the Medical Technology Leadership Forum.

Senator Durenberger was also named by Governor Tim Pawlenty to lead the Minnesota Citizens Forum on Healthcare Costs, an inside-out approach to healthcare reform in Minnesota. He is author of *Prescription for Change* and *Neither Madman Nor Messiahs* and teaches and speaks nationally on the future of healthcare delivery and policy.

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