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Celeste Milton has been an associate project director in the Center for Performance Measurement in the Division of Quality Measurement and Research at The Joint Commission since 2005. She is the project lead for two national projects that developed core performance measures for hospital-based inpatient psychiatric services (HBIPS) and perinatal care (PC), and an international project to develop performance measures for maternal/child care. Ms. Milton is currently responsible for directing all phases of the PC project including overseeing the ongoing maintenance and revision of technical specifications in the Specifications Manual for Joint Commission National Quality Core Measures. She is currently involved in the development of measure specifications for maternal/child care measures for the international project and will help facilitate onsite reliability testing later in 2010. In addition, Ms. Milton was responsible for directing all phases of the HBIPS project including overseeing the development of technical specifications, pilot testing activities including data quality and onsite reliability testing, and developing a final set of ORYX core performance measures for selection by both psychiatric hospitals and hospitals with psychiatric units. Ms. Milton maintains bi-annual updates to the Specifications Manual for Joint Commission National Quality Core Measures.

Ms. Milton joined The Joint Commission in June 2002 and has worked in the Office of Quality Monitoring and in the Sentinel Event unit prior to assuming her position in the Division of Quality Measurement and Research. Prior to joining The Joint Commission, she held positions as a performance improvement review specialist, clinical coordinator, financial planner, medical sales consultant and staff nurse. She has extensive clinical expertise in critical care, post anesthesia recovery, emergency and trauma nursing, and home health.

Ms. Milton's formal education includes a Masters of Public Health degree from Northern Illinois University in DeKalb, Illinois, a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree from the University of Texas Health Science Center, School of Nursing in San Antonio, Texas, and an Associate Degree in Nursing degree from Joliet Junior College in Joliet, Illinois. She is also a member of the Alpha Eta Society, Northern Illinois University Chapter.