WASHINGTON, D.C. (Oct. 1, 2020)— The National Minority Quality Forum (NMQF) announced Dr. Anthony Fauci will receive its 2020 Bernard J. Tyson Lifetime Achievement Award, which recognizes healthcare leaders who have helped to decrease health disparities and build sustainable healthy communities.

Dr. Anthony Fauci—who has served as the Director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases under six U.S. presidents—is being honored for his leadership and relentless efforts in health care throughout the decades.

During his lifetime, Dr. Fauci has worked at the forefront to help protect Americans through the AIDS Epidemic, H1N1 influenza, Zika and Ebola. Recently, he has become known as “America’s Doctor” as a result of his work to keep our country safe through this current COVID-19 pandemic. In addition to advising the last six (6) Administration’s, he regularly testifies before Congress, advising policymakers on the best ways to protect their constituents.
He’s also a great educator, serving as a mentor to both researchers and resident clinicians, building the next generations of physicians.

“We could not think of anyone more deserving of this honor,” said Dr. Gary Puckrein, President and CEO of the National Minority Quality Forum. “Dr. Fauci has truly been in our heads, hearts and homes--always there to bring truth and guidance when we all felt like we are in dire straits. More than anything, I am grateful that Dr. Fauci follows the science, data and his years of experience as a trusted physician to do what’s best for us all.”

Dr. Fauci will be honored virtually at NMQF’s 2020 Summit on Health Disparities and Health Braintrust on the afternoon of Wednesday, October 7th. Past honorees include the Honorable John Lewis, Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives Nancy Pelosi, Vice President Joe Biden and the late Kaiser President and CEO, Bernard J. Tyson.

The Lifetime Achievement Award ceremony will take place at the NMQF 17th Summit on Health Disparities and Health Braintrust, which will be virtual and free to attend. To register or learn more, visit: https://www.nmqf.org/nmqf-events/2020annualsummit.

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The National Minority Quality Forum assists health care providers, professionals, administrators, researchers, policymakers, and community and faith-based organizations in delivering appropriate health care to minority communities. This assistance is based on providing the evidence in the form of science, research, and analysis that will lead to the effective organization and management of system resources to improve the quality and safety of health care for the entire population of the U.S., including minorities.