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### **Kathy Claytor Earns Global Professional in Human Resources Certification**

**Roanoke, VA – August 9, 2010** – Kathy Claytor, Delta Dental of Virginia’s Director of Human Resources, recently earned her certification as a Global Professional in Human Resources (GPHR).

The certification, awarded by the Human Resources Certification Institute, signifies that she possesses the knowledge and practical experience in international human resource management.

Out of 108,000 certified human resources professionals, only 942 have earned the GPHR designation. Claytor is among only 615 human resources professionals worldwide who hold both the GPHR and Senior Professional Human Resources (SPHR) certifications.

“Kathy’s leadership and professional expertise are an integral component of our goal to be a world class organization for which to work,” said George A. Levicki, DDS, president & CEO, Delta Dental of Virginia. “All of us at Delta Dental are proud of Kathy’s achievements and well deserved recognition.”

#### **About Delta Dental of Virginia**

Delta Dental of Virginia, headquartered in Roanoke, was created in 1964 by the Virginia Dental Association and chartered by the General Assembly, as a not-for-profit service corporation the same year. Delta Dental provides employee dental benefits through a variety of managed fee-for-service and PPO plans covering more than 1.4 million enrollees in more than 3,500 groups. Delta Dental of Virginia is a member company of the Delta Dental Plans Association, the nation’s largest, most experienced dental benefits carrier providing dental coverage to more than 54 million people in more than 93,000 groups across the nation.

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