



## Quest Diagnostics to Speak at The Banc of America Securities Healthcare Conference

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LYNDHURST, N.J., May 16 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Quest Diagnostics Incorporated (NYSE: DGX), the nation's leading provider of diagnostic testing, information and services, announced that Robert A. Hagemann, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, is scheduled to speak at the Banc of America Securities Healthcare Conference on Tuesday, May 17, 2005, at the Four Seasons Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada. The Quest Diagnostics presentation is scheduled to begin at 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

During the conference, the company will reiterate its 2005 guidance of revenue growth of between 5% and 6%, operating income of between 18% and 19% of revenues, and earnings per diluted share of between \$5.45 and \$5.55.

The presentation will be web cast live during the conference and will be available to registered investors on the following site: <http://www.veracast.com/webcasts/bas/healthcare05/id82109176.cfm> and to the public on <http://www.questdiagnostics.com>. In addition, the archived web cast will be available starting one hour after the live presentation.

Quest Diagnostics is the leading provider of diagnostic testing, information and services that patients and doctors need to make better healthcare decisions. The company offers the broadest access to diagnostic testing services through its national network of laboratories and patient service centers, and provides interpretive consultation through its extensive medical and scientific staff. Quest Diagnostics is a pioneer in developing innovative new diagnostic tests and advanced healthcare information technology solutions that help improve patient care. Additional company information is available at: <http://www.questdiagnostics.com>.

The statements in this press release which are not historical facts or information may be forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results and outcomes to be materially different. Certain of these risks and uncertainties may include, but are not limited to, competitive environment, changes in government regulations, changing relationships with customers, payers, suppliers and strategic partners and other factors described in the Quest Diagnostics Incorporated 2004 Form 10-K and subsequent filings.

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