



## Quest Diagnostics, in Cooperation with AARP, Opens Doors for Older Job Seekers

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Featured Employers Program Brings Value to 50+ Workers and Quest Diagnostics

LYNDHURST, N.J., Nov. 17 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Quest Diagnostics Incorporated (NYSE: DGX), the nation's leading provider of diagnostic testing, information and services, today announced that it has been named one of AARP's Featured Employers, a program designed to help Americans aged 50 and over remain in the workforce as desired. The new Featured Employers are committed to an aggressive program of recruiting, hiring, and retaining mature workers.

The other companies named today are: Cendant Car Rental Group (Avis/Budget); Cingular Wireless; Comcast Cable Communications, Inc.; CVS/pharmacy; Right at Home, In-Home Care & Assistance; News America Marketing; New York Life Insurance Company; Schneider National, Inc.; SunTrust Banks, Inc.; and Verizon.

"Each day more than 500,000 patients depend on us to tell their doctor if they are healthy or ill, and we depend on our talented and dedicated people to take care of patients and help us grow," said Surya N. Mohapatra, Ph.D., Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Quest Diagnostics. "Mature and caring workers who want to stay engaged, who are vital and passionate, can have a profound impact on the patients we serve. We value their experience and are delighted to be chosen as an AARP Featured Employer."

By 2010, almost one in three workers will be at least 50. As baby boomers approach retirement age, the pool of replacement workers will not be large enough to meet employers' labor demands. In working with AARP, Featured Employers have recognized the need to prepare for the changing workforce, and are adapting human resource practices to address these demographic shifts.

Job seekers can visit AARP's website -- <http://www.aarp.org/featuredemployers> -- to learn about each Featured Employer, including types of skilled and non-skilled jobs available on employers' websites, benefits, and how to apply. The website provides a link to applications, instructions and additional information on each company.

### About Quest Diagnostics

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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