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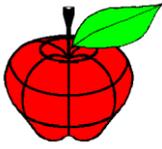
**Local Author Offers Insights into Coping with Loss of Loved One
from Medical Error**

(BELLAIRE, TEXAS – December 30, 2010) The nonprofit Community Medical Foundation for Patient Safety, a research group specializing in patient safety research and education, is hosting a special book signing to feature local author and patient safety advocate Anetta Parker, Thursday, January 13, 2011, 9 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Her recently published book by Tate Publishing titled *God's Grace is Sufficient* chronicles her personal and spiritual journey of coping with the tragic loss of her dear mother and finding signs of divine compassion, faith, and grace that have guided her to become a confident leader and role model to inspire others in dealing with the loss of loved ones due to preventable medical errors.

A member of the National Patient Safety Community, Parker offers sage advice and comforting reassurance of hope to patients and families who have been harmed by or have lost a loved one from medical errors. According to Community Medical Foundation for Patient Safety, nearly 50% of individuals either have had or have known someone very close who had experienced a serious medical error during treatment or hospitalization. Each year, more than 98,000 American hospital patients died from medical error.

Parker has been a crusader of truth in the healthcare system, and she and her family have raised important challenges for the medial and legal authorities to disclose vital information of victims of fatal medical adverse events or gross medical negligence, as in the case of their mother Dorothy Love-Johnson (1932-2006). Parker intends to use her book as a voice and tool to help other patients and families who may be facing a medical emergency or crisis after an adverse event or negligent care. Her simple advice is not to wait for the hospital to address the problem but to demand immediate, appropriate attention and care to save the patient. Her book has become an indispensable foundation to advocate the Texas Tort Reform Law.

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Already active as a leader in patient safety advocacy, Parker served as participant and lead facilitator of the Obama-Biden Transition Project: Healthcare Community Discussion, December 30, 2008. This forum sponsored by Community Medical Foundation for Patient Safety was part of the national data collection and recommendations for the current U.S. healthcare reform. An official summary and documentation of this meeting and discussion was presented to the Obama Administration.

The book-signing event is open to the public and will be held the main office of the Community Medical Foundation for Patient Safety, 6300 West Loop South, Suite 288, Bellaire, TX 77401. For more information about *God's Grace is Sufficient*, go to <http://tatepublishing.com/bookstore/book.php?w=978-1-61739-319-8>.

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About Community Medical Foundation for Patient Safety



Community Medical Foundation for Patient Safety, established in December 2003 as a nonprofit 501 (c)(3) tax-exempt, active learning organization based in the Houston area, is a leader in patient safety research and education. Our mission is to *promote and support patient safety through research, education, and the demonstrated practice of patient-centered health care*. On behalf of the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality has recognized and listed Community Medical Foundation for Patient Safety as Patient Safety Organization #29.
