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Caroline.Sutton@co-action.net**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE****PRESS RELEASE****International Journal of Qualitative Studies on Health and Well-being
moves to Co-Action Publishing**

9 February 2010 Stockholm: Co-Action Publishing is pleased to announce the addition of *International Journal of Qualitative Studies on Health and Well-being* (QHW) to its portfolio. The title moves to Co-Action Publishing from Informa Healthcare. In addition to the change in publisher, the title will also be transitioned to full open access from Volume 5 2010, with selected key articles from earlier volumes also being made open access, with permission from the former publisher. Also from 2010 the title will be included in ISI Thomson's Science Citation Index.

QHW was launched in January 2006 and since then has been published in four issues per volume, as a forum for publishing high quality qualitative research within the area of health and well-being. The journal's aim is to improve the quality of qualitative research through increasing scientific theoretical knowledge among researchers and therewith strengthen the methodological consciousness around qualitative research in the field.

International Journal of Qualitative Studies on Health and Well-being is led by Editor-in-Chief Lillemor Hallberg of Halmstad University, together with Co-Editors Peter D. Ashworth, Sheffield Hallam University and Karin Dahlberg, Linnaeus University. The editors are also enthusiastic about the open access model, says Professor Hallberg, "QHW is a unique journal and well worth global distribution. Qualitative research of high quality contributes to more thorough knowledge of health and well-being. Such knowledge can contribute to optimizing health broadly through improved care, treatment, experiences of health care and well-being. Maximum dissemination of such important research results can be achieved through open access."

Co-Action Publishing is confident such dissemination can be achieved, "This is the second subscription journal we have transitioned to open access, and it should do well under the new

model. Our titles have consistently reached readers in over 140 countries during their first year of operation. The editors are already experiencing a solid flow of submissions and this should only grow with the broad global dissemination we expect.”

International Journal of Qualitative Studies on Health and Well-being can be accessed at:
www.IJQHW.net

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