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ACHC and APC Work to Advance Compounding Pharmacies

Cary, NC – Accreditation Commission for Health Care (ACHC) announces the renewal of its partnership with Alliance for Pharmacy Compounding (APC), a professional advocacy organization that serves compounding pharmacists and their patients. Through this collaboration, ACHC and APC will work to further elevate the practice of compounding pharmacies.

“Both ACHC and APC are committed to advancing the role that compounding pharmacies play in our communities,” said Jon Pritchett, ACHC Program Director. “I am encouraged by APC’s active role in making sure compounding exists for patients and animals not served by traditional pharmaceutical manufacturers. The renewed partnership between ACHC and APC represents an ongoing expression of our organizations’ shared values.”

This partnership agreement also allows APC members to receive special pricing on ACHC’s Pharmacy Accreditation services, including services provided by the Pharmacy Compounding Accreditation Board (PCAB), and discounts on ACHCU educational resources that can help prepare APC member compounding pharmacies for accreditation.

“We’re delighted to continue our partnership with ACHC in support of PCAB accreditation,” said Scott Brunner, APC CEO. “We believe accreditation is the single best way for compounding pharmacies to distinguish themselves to the patients they serve. It’s the gold standard in compounding, and in this agreement with ACHC, we aim to do what we can do to increase the number of accredited pharmacies.”

APC is the voice for pharmacy compounding, representing compounding pharmacists, technicians, educators, students, researchers and suppliers. Compounding exists for patients and animals who are not served by traditional pharmaceutical manufacturers. Every day, APC members play a critical, often life-or-death role in patients’ lives, creating essential medications unavailable elsewhere for a range of issues, including autism, oncology, dermatology, ophthalmology, pediatrics, women’s health, and others.

ACHC offers a broad suite of pharmacy accreditation options, including Specialty, Sterile/Non-Sterile Compounding (PCAB), Mail Order, Infusion, and Long-Term Care services. Companies also can obtain distinctions in Rare Diseases and Orphan Drugs, Oncology, Infectious Disease Specific to HIV, Nutrition Support, and Hazardous Drug Handling.

PCAB Accreditation offers non-sterile (ref. USP <795>) and sterile (ref. USP <797>) compounding services.

ACHC has over 30 years of experience promoting safe, quality patient care and is known for providing value, integrity, and the industry’s best customer service. Providers benefit from ACHC’s flexible, educational approach, which gives them solutions tailored to fit their needs. ACHC assists providers throughout the accreditation process by offering access to personal Account Advisors, clinical and regulatory support, and program-specific educational resources. With no annual fees, ACHC offers cost-effective, competitive pricing to help providers achieve their accreditation goals.

For more information on ACHC Accreditation programs and services, visit www.achc.org, email customerservice@achc.org, or call (855) 937-2242.

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