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## ACHC and VitalSource™ GPO Collaborate to Elevate Specialty Physician Practices

Cary, NC – Accreditation Commission for Health Care (ACHC) announced today it has entered into a Strategic Alliance Agreement with Cardinal Health's VitalSource™ GPO, a group purchasing organization committed to supporting community-based oncology and urology physician practices that dispense specialty medications. VitalSource™ GPO members work closely with the GPO's practice consultants, who have extensive experience in specialty pharmacy accreditation, USP <800> requirements, and technology integration.

"Both ACHC and VitalSource™ GPO are dedicated to supporting the role that specialty physician practices play in our communities. Together, we will work to help these practices navigate increasingly complex patient care models, reimbursement systems, and prescription treatments," said Ryan Ragan, ACHC Business Development Manager. "ACHC is honored to work with Cardinal Health, a leader in specialty pharmaceutical distribution and GPO services."

"VitalSource™ GPO was one of the first to provide practice consultants who are ACHC-certified accreditation counselors to assist members in achieving accreditation in specialty pharmacy and oncology distinctions. Being part of the ACHC preferred network further enhances our existing relationship and provides additional, unparalleled value to our GPO members," said Amy Valley, PharmD, Vice President of Clinical Strategy and Technology Solutions, Cardinal Health Specialty Solutions. "Looking ahead, we are excited about expanding our collaboration. We look forward to continuing to work with ACHC to further support our members in delivering exceptional patient care."

The collaboration with ACHC gives VitalSource™ GPO members special pricing on ACHC Pharmacy Accreditation and discounts on ACHCU educational resources that can help members prepare for accreditation.

Through VitalSource™ GPO's relationships with leading pharmaceutical and biotech manufacturers, its members can gain access to a broad range of competitive contracts, discounts and rebates, as well as manufacturer-sponsored educational activities and solutions. Additionally, VitalSource™ GPO has a range of technology and practice management solutions that can help community-based providers improve practice efficiency while maintaining high-quality patient care. To learn more, visit the [VitalSource™ GPO website](#).

ACHC offers a broad suite of pharmacy compliance solutions, including accreditation programs for Specialty, Infusion, Long-Term Care, and Sterile/Non-Sterile Compounding services. ACHC also offers various Pharmacy Distinctions, including those for Oncology and Hazardous Drug Handling. ACHC Pharmacy Accreditation promotes consistent practices that result in improved safety, efficiency, and quality of care while enhancing business practices and strengthening trust in specialty physician practice services.

With over 30 years of experience, ACHC is known for providing value, integrity, and the industry's best customer service. ACHC develops solutions for healthcare providers nationwide and remains committed to delivering a customized, collaborative accreditation experience.

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