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**ACHC and FirstLight Home Care Renew Efforts to Support Caregivers**

**Cary, NC** – Accreditation Commission for Health Care (ACHC) announces the renewal of its partnership with FirstLight® Home Care Franchising, an organization dedicated to providing compassionate and quality services to individuals in their home.

“As our senior population grows and the demand for private home care increases, the importance of in-home caregivers becomes more vital every day,” said Susan Mills, ACHC Associate Clinical Director. “Through our collaboration with FirstLight, caregivers will continue to have access to educational tools and materials that will allow them to provide a higher level of care and safety by achieving accreditation.”

FirstLight caregivers will continue to receive special pricing on ACHC Accreditation services for private duty accreditation programs, as well as discounts on ACHCU resources that can help healthcare providers prepare for ACHC Accreditation and stay up-to-date on industry changes through educational webinars and workshops.

“FirstLight Home Care is proud to continue its strong collaboration with ACHC,” said Rebecca Rushing, BSN, RN Director of Client Care Services for FirstLight Home Care. “This partnership provides FirstLight Home Care franchise owners and their caregivers with the education and support that enables them to deliver on our commitment to the quality of care and service excellence that remain the cornerstone of our Culture of Care.”

Since opening its first franchise location in 2010, FirstLight Home Care has experienced steady growth and is now serving in the process of serving clients in more than 250 locations in over 30 states throughout the U.S. FirstLight Home Care’s mission is to deliver exceptional, compassionate care provided by extraordinary people so that all those who are served may age with comfort, dignity, and independence in the place they call home. FirstLight is also proud to champion family caregivers who give countless hours of care to their loved ones every day by providing the resources and support needed to help them maintain balance in their own lives. For more information, visit [www.firstlighthomecare.com](http://www.firstlighthomecare.com).

As a nationally recognized accreditor, ACHC offers a broad suite of home health hospice, and private duty compliance solutions, including accreditation programs for Home Health Aide, Medical Social Services, Skilled Nursing, Hospice Care, Private Duty Nursing, Private Duty Aide, and Private Duty Companion/Homemaker services. ACHC has CMS deeming authority for Home Health, Hospice, Renal Dialysis, and DMEPOS.

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 our flexible, educational approach, which gives them options tailored to fit their needs. We assist providers throughout the accreditation process by offering access to personal Account Advisors, clinical and regulatory support, and program-specific educational resources. And with no annual fees, ACHC offers cost-effective, competitive pricing to help providers achieve their accreditation goals.

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