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ACHC Forms Partnership with Shields Health Solutions

Cary, NC- Accreditation Commission for Health Care (ACHC) is excited to announce its partnership with Shields Health Solutions, a specialty pharmacy integrator with a proven approach to improving health outcomes and increasing revenues for nonprofit health systems.

"This partnership brings a lot of energy and enthusiasm with it," said Matt Hughes, Director of Business Development at ACHC. "In partnering with one of the largest and most experienced leaders in the specialty pharmacy integration space, we look forward to working with them to further enhance the quality service they provide to health systems through their already excellent specialty pharmacy programs and relationships."

Shields Health Solutions is a specialty pharmacy integrator and care provider, partnering with hospital leaders on every aspect of specialty pharmacy creation, growth and management. The company provides the fastest, lowest risk model for health systems to create a hospital-owned specialty pharmacy program. In doing so, Shields provides health systems with on-site pharmacy and care professionals, a purpose-built specialty pharmacy technology platform, and access to 90-plus percent of all limited distribution drugs (LDDs) and most (health insurance) payors in the nation. Shields provides ownership of all specialty pharmacy assets in a health system's name. Today, many of the most respected health systems in the country, including UMass Memorial, Hartford Healthcare, Stanford Health, Dignity Health, and NYU Langone Health, rely on Shields Health Solutions to start, grow and manage their specialty pharmacy programs.

"We are delighted to partner with ACHC so we can both help health systems maintain the highest levels of patient care excellence through their specialty pharmacy programs," said Brian S. Smith, Chief Pharmacy Officer of Shields Health Solutions. "The standards set by ACHC are a vital part of a well-run health system specialty pharmacy, and will continue improving the safety and operations as more health systems adopt and maintain them."

ACHC is a nonprofit accreditation organization with CMS Deeming Authority for Home Health, Hospice and Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies (DMEPOS), with a Quality Management System that is certified to ISO 9001:2015. We were created for providers, by providers, to deliver a better accreditation experience. Since 1986, ACHC has offered a collaborative and consultative approach to accreditation, empowering providers to enhance patient care through service-specific standards and industry best practices.

As a recognized leader in pharmacy compliance, ACHC offers a comprehensive suite of solutions that align with the individual services provided by pharmacies. Our network of licensed pharmacist Surveyors utilize an educational approach to provide a comprehensive assessment of the organization designed to enhance business operations while ensuring compliance. By achieving ACHC Accreditation, pharmacies are able to demonstrate their commitment to providing the highest-quality service through compliance with national regulations and industry best practices.

For more information on ACHC's educational and training programs, please visit <https://www.achcu.com> or contact customerservice@achcu.com or 919-228-6559.

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