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ACHC Announces Certification of First Compounding Pharmacy in Canada

Cary, NC- Accreditation Commission for Health Care (ACHC) announced today that the first pharmacy successfully achieved certification under the PCAB Certification Program for Canadian Compounding. Torrance Compounding Pharmacy, which provides non-sterile and sterile compounding services, demonstrated compliance with the industry's highest standards, including USP <795> and USP <797> requirements.

"ACHC has offered compliance solutions in the U.S. for more than 29 years," said ACHC Associate Director of Pharmacy, Jon Pritchett, Pharm.D., RPh. "We applaud the team at Torrance Compounding Pharmacy for their efforts to become the first Canadian pharmacy to achieve PCAB Certification. The steps taken to achieve Certification serve to provide an added measure of quality and safety assurance for physicians, payors, and patients alike."

The PCAB Certification Program for Canadian Compounding assesses the compounding process based on a specific set of standards that concentrate on the quality and consistency of compounded medications. Qualified pharmacists with experience in the area of compounding conduct each survey with a consultative approach that is designed to facilitate the highest level of quality and safety in compounded medications. Pharmacies that want to learn more about the program should visit www.achcinternational.ca.

With broad and extensive array of pharmacy compliance solutions in the United States, including programs for sterile and non-sterile compounding, infusion, specialty, and long term care pharmacy services; ACHC is positioned to be the solution of choice for the industry. Beginning July 2014, PCAB became a service of ACHC, offering programs for non-sterile (ref. USP <795>) and sterile (ref. USP <797>) compounding services. PCAB assesses the compounding process based on a specific set of standards that concentrate on the quality and consistency of compounded medications. By achieving PCAB compliance, compounding pharmacies are able to demonstrate their commitment to providing the highest-quality service by complying with the most rigorous national regulations and industry best practices.

ACHC is a non-profit organization that has stood as a symbol of quality and excellence since 1986. ACHC is the provider's choice for compliance solutions because of its personal Account Advisors, relevant and realistic standards, competitive pricing, and a friendly, consultative approach to Certification. PCAB Certification reflects an organization's dedication and commitment to meeting standards that facilitate a higher level of performance and patient care. For more information about the PCAB Certification Program for Canadian Compounding, or to download PCAB Certification Standards, please visit www.achcinternational.ca or contact customerservice@achcinternational.ca or 855-937-2242.