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ACHC and COPA Renew Partnership to Enhance Patient Outcomes

Cary, N.C. – Accreditation Commission for Health Care (ACHC) announced today it has renewed its partnership agreement with the Community Oncology Pharmacy Association (COPA), a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving outcomes for patients who receive oral medications and ancillary therapies at community cancer clinics.

"Both ACHC and COPA are committed to driving advancement in oral treatments for cancer patients," said Jon Pritchett, ACHC Program Director. "This partnership strengthens our shared focus of supporting efforts to dispense oral medications in a safe, accessible, and affordable environment that maximizes options for cancer patients."

"Since its inception, COPA has pushed its members to maintain continuous improvement in quality, accessibility, and safety for patients," said Ricky Newton, CPA, COPA staff liaison. "Partnering with ACHC allows COPA to provide even more improvement opportunities. We look forward to assisting members as they explore the wealth of resources now available to them."

The collaboration gives COPA members special pricing on ACHC Specialty Pharmacy Accreditation and discounts on ACHCU educational resources that support the accreditation process.

About COPA

The Community Oncology Pharmacy Association (COPA) is an advocacy and support network for in-office dispensing and retail pharmacies located in independent community oncology and urology pharmacies. As an initiative of the nonprofit Community Oncology Alliance (COA), the mission of COPA is to ensure that all patients have access to high-quality, integrated care while overcoming an increasingly complicated oncology environment.

With more than 800 diverse members, COPA is an active peer-to-peer network of practice professionals who share strategies to help manage and maximize pharmacy operations. <u>The COPA network</u> connects members with peers in the field of oncology pharmacy. Members also receive exclusive access to valuable PBM resources, pharmacy certification support, business tools, and advocacy intelligence.

To learn more, visit the <u>COPA</u> website.

About ACHC

ACHC is a recognized leader in pharmacy accreditation and was the first accrediting organization to offer Specialty Pharmacy Accreditation. ACHC's broad suite of pharmacy accreditation services include oncology, specialty, infusion, long-term care, and sterile/non-sterile compounding.

With 35 years of experience, ACHC has a history of driving success with industry-leading programs and 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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