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## ACHC announces partnership with Cardinal Health Specialty Pharmacy Services to support outpatient specialty pharmacies

Partnership to provide exclusive resources for hospitals and health systems seeking accreditation

**Cary, N.C.** –Accreditation Commission for Health Care (ACHC), an internationally recognized accreditation organization, will partner with Cardinal Health to offer exclusive pricing to hospitals and health systems for ACHC Pharmacy Accreditation. Additionally, ACHC will offer Cardinal Health customers discounts on resources provided through the ACHCU educational suite to guide facilities through the accreditation process.

"As sites of care shift and utilization of specialty medications continues to grow, hospital and health system leaders need a multi-pronged supply chain and operational approach that addresses the entire continuum of patient care," said Peter J. Siavelis, senior vice president and general manager of Acute Care Distribution and Services at Cardinal Health. "Our partnership with ACHC will support our customers seeking to establish a fully accredited specialty pharmacy as part of their continued expansion of delivering patient care to multiple sites."

Cardinal Health<sup>™</sup> Specialty Pharmacy Services offers expert consultation to hospitals and health systems with outpatient specialty pharmacy strategy. Using insights from operating 70 outpatient pharmacies in 19 states, Cardinal Health will offer a full range of solutions for hospital-owned outpatient pharmacies. Solutions include optimization of retail pharmacies and successful operation of accredited specialty pharmacies to achieve better patient outcomes and improved business results.

"Both ACHC and Cardinal Health are dedicated to advancing the role healthcare providers play in their communities," said Jon Pritchett, Pharm.D., RPh., ACHC program director. "Together, we can enhance both patient care and safety and business efficiencies for the organizations we serve by expanding access to valuable resources and education designed to drive continuous improvement."

## **About Cardinal Health**

Cardinal Health is a distributor of pharmaceuticals, a global manufacturer and distributor of medical and laboratory products, and a provider of performance and data solutions for health care facilities. With 50 years in business, operations in more than 35 countries and approximately 44,000 employees globally, Cardinal Health is essential to care. Information about Cardinal Health is available at <u>cardinalhealth.com</u>.

## About ACHC

With 35 years of experience in accreditation, ACHC is known for providing value, integrity, and the industry's best customer service. ACHC develops solutions for healthcare providers

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ACHC holds CMS Deeming Authority for Ambulatory Surgery Centers, Clinical Laboratories, Home Health, Hospice, Hospitals, Renal Dialysis, DMEPOS, and Home Infusion Therapy. ACHC's quality management system is ISO 9001:2015 certified.

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