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ACHC Receives State Approval for Accreditation of Idaho Residential Assisted Living Facilities Assisted Living Facilities Can Choose ACHC Accreditation In Lieu of State Licensure Surveys

CARY, N.C. (Feb. 15, 2022) – The State of Idaho has granted the Accreditation Commission for Health Care (ACHC) the ability to survey and accredit residential assisted living facilities in the Gem State. According to the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, ACHC's accreditation standards meet or exceed the state's requirements for licensure surveys of residential assisted living settings.

With ACHC, industry-expert surveyors perform a comprehensive survey that considers organizational structure, policies and procedures, and compliance with state and federal regulations to maintain excellence and a culture of continuous improvement throughout the three-year accreditation term. The Assisted Living Accreditation Program standards help set benchmarks to drive excellence in all aspects of an assisted living community, aiming to provide quality of care and quality of life for its residents.

ACHC, a nonprofit accreditation organization with deeming authority from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), already serves accreditation needs for a variety of health care settings in the state, including deemed and non-deemed programs for a wide range of health care access points, including:

- Acute care hospitals
- Ambulatory surgery centers
- Assisted living
- Behavioral health providers
- Critical access hospitals
- Home care
- Home infusion therapy
- Hospice
- Mobile dentistry
- Office-based surgery
- Renal dialysis
- Sleep centers

Additionally, ACHC maintains accreditation programs throughout the state for clinical laboratories, pharmacy, and durable medical equipment, prosthetics, orthotics and supplies.

"The State of Idaho's trust in ACHC's ability to validate and help drive quality in these communities speaks to our reputation of exceptional service," said Denise Hobson, program director for assisted living and behavioral health at ACHC. "Our work will help ensure long-term comfort, physical and mental well-being to Idahoans in assisted living communities and their loved ones."

For more information on ACHC accreditation programs, please visit <u>achc.org.</u>

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About ACHC

Accreditation leader ACHC is a nonprofit with 35 years of experience promoting safe, quality patient care. ACHC develops solutions trusted by healthcare providers nationwide and is committed to offering exceptional, personalized service, and a customized, collaborative accreditation experience tailored to organizational needs. ACHC focuses on giving providers a positive, educational experience that continually enhances quality of care and business efficiencies.

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