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ACHC and Shields Health Solutions Renew Partnership

CARY, N.C. – Leading accreditor Accreditation Commission for Health Care (ACHC) announced today it is renewing its strategic partnership with Shields Health Solutions (Shields), the nation's premier specialty pharmacy accelerator.

"This renewed collaboration strengthens our shared focus of optimizing specialty pharmacy operations within health systems," said Jeffrey Reses, RPH, HDDP, ACHC Senior Pharmacy Clinical Liaison. "Shields Health Solutions is transforming specialty care with solutions that support health systems and improve patient access to critical specialty medications."

"We are delighted to continue our partnership with ACHC in our united mission of supporting health systems to provide the highest levels of patient care to their patients through integrated specialty pharmacy programs," said Brian S. Smith, Pharm.D. 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."

The partnership gives Shields Health Solutions customers special pricing on ACHC Pharmacy Accreditation for specialty and infusion services. Discounts on select ACHCU educational resources are also available.

About Shields Health Solutions

<u>Shields Health Solutions</u> (Shields) is the premier specialty pharmacy accelerator in the country. The Shields Performance Platform, an integrated set of solutions, services and technology, is intentionally designed to elevate payer and drug access for specialty pharmacies, elevate health outcomes for complex patients, and elevate growth throughout the entire health system.

As the foremost experts in the health system specialty pharmacy industry, Shields has a proven track record of success, including access to over 80 percent of all limited distribution drugs (LDDs) and most (health insurance) payers in the nation, and a clinical model proven to lower total cost of care by 13%. In partnership with nearly 80 health systems across the country through national-scale collaboration, Shields has a vested interest in delivering measurable clinical and financial results for health systems.

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About ACHC

<u>ACHC</u>, the nation's top accreditor for specialty, infusion, and compounding pharmacy services, offers a comprehensive suite of pharmacy accreditation and distinction options, including Ambulatory Infusion Center, Infusion, Specialty, and Mail Order Pharmacy Accreditation and PCAB Accreditation for sterile and non-sterile compounding.

With over 35 years of experience, ACHC has a history of driving success with industry-leading programs. ACHC develops solutions for healthcare providers worldwide and remains committed to delivering a customized, collaborative accreditation experience.

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