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March Achieving Accreditation Conference to Provide Deep Dive into AAAHC Standards

Immersive Virtual Conference Spotlighting COVID-19 Guidance Updates and Best Practices for Ambulatory Accreditation

(Skokie, III.) March 2, 2022 — The Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care (AAAHC) begins its 2022 educational conference programming with virtual *Achieving Accreditation*, the live flagship conference taking place March 21-23, 2022. Featuring content tailored to the unique needs of primary care and surgical/procedural organizations, the interactive event will provide a direct line to highly experienced AAAHC faculty and surveyors using an engaging, multifaceted approach to education. The program includes a blend of video and live discussion groups.

Achieving Accreditation provides an immersive three-day conference designed for currently accredited organizations and new organizations seeking to gain an understanding of AAAHC Standards and application of Standards to maintain accreditation preparedness. Attendees will gain experience through curated quality improvement (QI) workshops, group collaboration and a variety of interactive peer panels and elective sessions led by industry experts. AAAHC faculty and surveyors will address a wide range of pertinent topics, from promoting workplace mental health to advanced infection prevention.

"Achieving Accreditation is designed to elevate our understanding of the core AAAHC Standards with actionable and practical guidance specific to the ambulatory setting – all with prime-time access to peers and expert AAAHC faculty and staff," said Noel Adachi, MBA, president and CEO of AAAHC. "In today's virtual environment, we are proud to offer an engaging and welcoming space for participants to begin or augment their 1095 Strong journey."

Highlights of the conference include best practices and strategies for analyzing QI projects for compliance with AAAHC Standards. The curriculum addresses a wide array of topics such as clinical records management, Life Safety Code, and more.

"The March Achieving Accreditation conference is the first in a robust lineup of our 2022 1095 Learn opportunities, with flexible and actionable education presented by seasoned AAAHC faculty," said AAAHC Board Chair, Edwin Slade, DMD, JD. "Achieving Accreditation is a unique opportunity for participants to polish their existing skillsets while gaining up-to-date knowledge

and interpretative guidance on Standards in preparation for an accreditation survey and for implementation in day-to-day operations."

Placing flexibility and safety at the forefront, the learning starts early and lasts beyond the event, with select content available in the days leading to *Achieving Accreditation*, and hours of recorded content available for a month afterward.

For additional details about the program, including online registration, please visit www.aaahc.org/Achieving.

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About AAAHC

Founded in 1979, AAAHC is the leader in ambulatory health care accreditation, with more than 6,100 organizations accredited. We accredit a wide range of outpatient settings, including ambulatory surgery centers, office-based surgery facilities, endoscopy centers, student health centers, medical and dental group practices, community health centers, employer-based health clinics, retail clinics, and Indian/Tribal health centers, among others.

AAAHC advocates for the provision of high-quality health care through the development and adoption of nationally recognized standards. We provide a valuable survey experience founded on a peer-based, educational approach to onsite review. The AAAHC Certificate of Accreditation, along with specialized programs including Advanced Orthopaedic Certification and Patient-Centered Medical Home Certification, demonstrates an organization's commitment to providing safe, high-quality services to its patients—every day of the 1,095-day accreditation cycle. AAAHC Accreditation and Certification Programs are recognized by third-party payors, medical professional associations, liability insurance companies, state and federal agencies, and the public. For more information on AAAHC, please visit www.aaahc.org.