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American College of Health Care Administrators' Marianna Kern Grachek Announces Retirement

Alexandria, VA – June 24, 2015 – After nine years of leadership, Marianna Kern Grachek CNHA, CALA, FACHCA, President and CEO of American College of Health Care Administrators (ACHCA), has announced her plans to step down from the organization as of July 16, 2015, leaving behind a legacy of revitalization and growth for the ACHCA and in the post-acute and aging services industry. “Being ACHCA’s President and CEO for nine years has been a privilege, as well as my pleasure, my passion and my pride,” she said. “I’m immensely proud of what the ACHCA has achieved, and I am tremendously grateful that I have been able to play a role in its evolution and success as a professional society.”

Mrs. Grachek’s contributions to the ACHCA are many. When she took the helm of the professional association in 2006, she infused credibility by bringing her knowledge and presence to all the major players in post-acute and long-term care. ACHCA advances the administrator profession through building leadership capacity, providing leadership education, promoting networking, providing professional advancement opportunities, and ultimately, improving the lives of the patients and residents served by its members.

Sharon Colling, CNHA, CALA, FACHCA of Waverly, Nebraska, will serve as the interim CEO.

About ACHCA

Founded in 1962, the American College of Health Care Administrators (ACHCA) is the only professional association devoted solely to meeting the professional needs of today's post-acute and aging services leaders. Focused on advancing leadership excellence, ACHCA provides professional education and certification to

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administrators from across the spectrum of long term care. For more information about ACHCA, contact the national office at (202) 536-5120 or visit www.achca.org.

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