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NBCHPN[®] Announces
2014 CHPCA[®] of the Year Award Recipient

PITTSBURGH, PA, MARCH 13, 2014— The National Board for Certification of Hospice and Palliative Nurses (NBCHPN[®]) has announced that **Lori Yosick, LISW-S, CHPCA[®]**, is the 2014 recipient of the Certified Hospice and Palliative Care Administrator of the Year Award (CHPCA[®]). The honor was presented on Thursday, March 13, 2014 at the American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine (AAHPM)/ Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association (HPNA) Annual Assembly in San Diego, California. The CHPCA[®] of the Year Award recognizes the work of a certified hospice and palliative care administrator who personifies excellence in advancing expert care in serious illness.

Ms. Yosick, a graduate of Michigan State University's School of Social Work, is the executive director of Mount Carmel Hospice and Palliative Care in Columbus, OH. She has supported, defined, and coached the development of hospice and palliative care at the institutional level in her region while mentoring developing professionals and giving national presentations at conferences and workshops. She has been guiding the development of acute palliative care services at institutions nationwide through her service on multiple statewide boards and committees and for the multi-state health care delivery system of Trinity Health Palliative Care Collaborative.

In 2007 the National Board for Certification of Hospice and Palliative Nurses (NBCHPN[®]) initiated the development of a hospice and palliative certification exam for the hospice and palliative care administrator. The first exam for administrators was given in September 2008 and the credential awarded is CHPCA[®] (Certified Hospice and Palliative Care Administrator). There are currently over 250 administrators who hold the CHPCA[®] credential.

"We are delighted to recognize Lori Yosick. Her inspirational leadership continues to extend patient access to evidence-based, high-quality, compassionate hospice and palliative care," said **Sally Welsh, MSN, RN, NEA-BC, Chief Executive Officer of NBCHPN[®]**. "Her commitment to progressive development and improvement, and her ability to find the appropriate compassionate solution, deserve our recognition and our gratitude."

About NBCHPN[®]

The National Board for Certification of Hospice and Palliative Nurses (NBCHPN[®]) is the only organization that offers specialty certification for all levels of the hospice and palliative nursing

care team, including administrators and perinatal loss care professionals. Over 18,000 health professionals hold NBCHPN® credentials that establish professional commitment to safe, ethical, and evidence-based care. Preferred as a current measure of continuing competence in the dynamic and evolving health care professional role, NBCHPN® certification is valid for four years and can be renewed. Together with the Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association and the Hospice and Palliative Nurses Foundation, NBCHPN® works to advance expert care in serious illness. To learn more, visit NBCHPN® at www.nbchpn.org, call 412.787.1057, or email nbchpn@nbchpn.org.

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