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AMCP Names Susan A. Cantrell, RPh, CAE as CEO

ALEXANDRIA, Va., Dec. 18, 2015 /PRNewswire-USNewswire/ -- The Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy (AMCP), the nation's largest association of pharmacists, physicians and other clinicians who manage the prescription drug benefit for 200 million Americans, today announced the selection of Susan A. Cantrell, RPh, CAE, as Chief Executive Officer.



Cantrell will officially begin in February 2016. She succeeds Edith A. Rosato, RPH, IOM, who is retiring after nearly four years.

"After an extensive national search which drew many highly qualified candidates, the AMCP Board of Directors unanimously selected Susan A. Cantrell to be the next CEO," said AMCP president Raulo S. Frear, Pharm.D.

"We could not be more excited to have such a proven, visionary, and dynamic executive leading the Academy," Frear said. "Susan brings a rare combination of experience as both a pharmacist and an association executive, along with a record of success in member engagement, industry collaborations and product and program development. Add to that her unique understanding of AMCP members, it's clear she'll hit the job running and the Board could not be happier."

Cantrell has 30 years of pharmacy association, pharmacy management and executive leadership experience. Most recently, she served as senior vice president and managing director at DIA, an 18,000-member global professional society of individuals involved in the discovery, development and life-cycle management of pharmaceuticals, biologics and other medical products.

Previously, Cantrell held several senior posts at the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists, including most recently, vice president, resources development.



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"I am so pleased to be leading the Academy," Susan Cantrell said. "My goal is to not only maintain AMCP's current path of program excellence, strong finances and active member engagement, but also elevate AMCP's profile among policymakers, stakeholders and industry leaders."

"Just as the entire health care system turns to managed care principles to control costs, improve outcomes and increase access, AMCP's members—the professionals managing the pharmacy benefit—are the right people, at the right place, at the right time. Getting that message out will be my first priority."

Cantrell has Bachelor of Science, Pharmacy from the University of Mississippi; completed an ASHP-accredited hospital pharmacy residency at UMMC; and earned a Certificate in Public Health Core Competencies, University of North Carolina. She is a co-author of *Letters to A Young Pharmacist: Sage Advice on Life and Career from Extraordinary Pharmacists* (2014) and is an active member and volunteer of the American Society of Association Executives (ASAE) and current vice chair of the ASAE International Section Council.

About AMCP

AMCP is a professional association of pharmacists and other practitioners who serve society by the application of sound medication management principles and strategies to improve health care for all. The Academy's 8,000 members develop and provide a diversified range of clinical, educational, medication and business management services and strategies on behalf of the more than 200 million Americans. www.amcp.org.

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