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FIRST HEALTHCARE COMPLIANCE FORMS AFFINITY PARTNERSHIP WITH MISSISSIPPI STATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

Wilmington, **DE—May 13**, **2015**—First Healthcare Compliance (www.1sthcc.com), a national provider of a comprehensive compliance solution to help healthcare providers save time and money by efficiently implementing an effective compliance management program, announces the official launch of an affinity partnership with Mississippi State Medical Association (www.msmaonline.com).

The First Healthcare Compliance Affinity Partners program provides partners with an opportunity to refer members to First Healthcare Compliance, and for their members to receive a 'members-only' lifetime discount as a new subscriber. First Healthcare Compliance helps their members save time and money, mitigate risk and maintain focus on healthcare by providing a comprehensive compliance program management solution that addresses HIPAA/HITECH, OSHA, the False Claims Act, the Anti-Kickback Statute and Stark and more in a simple, efficient and effective manner, all in one place.

"We are committed to developing relationships with qualified Affinity Partners. It is a winning proposition for organizations interested in offering an innovative new service as benefit to their members," said Julie Sheppard, Founder and President of First Healthcare Compliance. "We are thrilled that such a well-respected organization as Mississippi State Medical Association shares our commitment to providing the resources and tools for Mississippi-based healthcare practitioners and professionals to better manage their compliance needs. She continues, "Like us, Mississippi State Medical Association understands the pressing needs of this market for a comprehensive compliance program management solution, and recognizes the incredibly limited resources available and the void that the First Healthcare Compliance solution fills."

"We anticipate this partnership with First Healthcare Compliance providing a wealth of benefit to our members," said Claude Brunson, MD, president of MSMA. "In today's changing healthcare arena, our physicians are faced with a growing set of challenges and must approach health care differently than in years past to ensure the best outcomes for their patients. Benefits such as those offered by First Healthcare Compliance will enhance physicians' practices and allow them to focus on their main priority: offering the best possible medical care and treatment to patients."

Mississippi State Medical Association (MSMA) is a physician organization serving as an advocate for its members, their patients and the public health. The association promotes ethical, educational and clinical standards for the medical profession and the enactment of just medical laws. Founded in 1856, Mississippi State Medical Association provides a way for members of the medical profession to unite and act on matters affecting public health and the practice of medicine. For more information on the MSMA, visit www.msmaonline.com.

For further information, please visit http://1sthcc.com/partners/or contact First Healthcare Compliance at 888.54.FIRST.

About First Healthcare Compliance First Healthcare Compliance provides solutions, services and education to address the needs of the physicians in private practice, or those in hospital networks, health systems, skilled nursing facilities and healthcare billing companies to implement and maintain a high quality compliance program in a simple, effective, and efficient manner. The new business model created by First Healthcare Compliance enables them to offer a turnkey, comprehensive, single-source compliance solution.

A privately-owned women business enterprise founded in 2012 in Wilmington, DE, by Julie Sheppard, First Healthcare Compliance was created from the rising concern Julie had in witnessing the increasing demands being placed on physicians and other healthcare providers in private practice and in hospital networks and health systems, to comply with the rules and regulations of the Affordable Care Act. As a nurse, an attorney, and a physician's spouse, Julie identified a widening gap between the expectations of government and the reality of compliance for healthcare professionals. She recognized the opportunity available to fill the void of practical compliance resources and options to solve these needs; this became the impetus for the formation of First Healthcare Compliance.

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