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## NEWS FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### ***FIRST HEALTHCARE COMPLIANCE AND THE PHILADELPHIA COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY ANNOUNCE PARTNERSHIP***

*Medical Society signs on as Affinity Partner officially launching Partners Program*

**Wilmington, DE and Philadelphia, PA—March 14, 2014—**First Healthcare Compliance (<http://www.1sthcc.com>), a national provider of a comprehensive compliance solution to help healthcare providers efficiently implement an effective compliance program, jointly announces with The Philadelphia County Medical Society (<http://www.philamedsoc.org>) the official launch of their affinity partnership.

The First Healthcare Compliance Affinity Partners program provides qualified partners with an opportunity to refer members to First Healthcare Compliance, and to receive a notable 'members-only' discount as a new subscriber. First Healthcare Compliance helps their partners' members maintain focus on patient care by providing them with a comprehensive solution to implement and manage a compliance program that addresses HIPAA/HITECH, OSHA, the False Claims Act, the Anti-Kickback Statute and Stark in a simple, efficient and effective manner, in one place.

"As First Healthcare Compliance continues to grow nationally, we are committed to developing new Affinity Partners. It is a winning proposition for qualified organizations interested in offering an exciting new benefit to their members. We make it easy for our partners to do this by providing them with "ready to use" tools for promoting our compliance management solution," said Julie Sheppard, Founder and President of First Healthcare Compliance. "We are thrilled that one of our initial partners is such a well-respected organization as The Philadelphia County Medical Society, who is committed to providing the resources and tools for healthcare practitioners and professionals to better manage their practice. We are confident that this new partnership will help us better reach physicians and other healthcare providers in private or small group practices, and healthcare networks or health systems in the Philadelphia County area.

"Like us, our partners understand the pressing needs of this market for a comprehensive compliance solution," shares Julie Sheppard. "They recognize the incredibly limited resources available and the void that the First Healthcare Compliance comprehensive compliance solution fills."

For further information on the First Healthcare Compliance Partnership program including the Affinity Partner program or the newly launched Channel Partner program, please visit <http://1sthcc.com/partners/> or contact First Healthcare Compliance at 888.54.FIRST.

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### **About First Healthcare Compliance**

First Healthcare Compliance provides solution and services to address the needs of the physicians and other healthcare providers and their staff in private or group practices, or those in healthcare networks and health systems, by offering innovative resources and tools 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 serve as a 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 or group practices and on healthcare networks and health systems, to comply with the new 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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### **About The Philadelphia County Medical Society (PCMS)**

PCMS is a vibrant multispecialty county medical society with several thousand members which includes a medical student section and resident/ fellow section from Philadelphia's world renowned medical training institutions. Our members are not only from many specialties but encompass academic attending physicians as well as the many private practices of our city.

PCMS members share a common belief of the prime importance of the physician- patient relationship to good medical decision making and the common goal of extreme high quality accessible innovative care for our county and region's citizens. PCMS strives to not only be a consensus voice of the membership but also to serve as a trusted information source to our practitioners on the many complex regulatory/health policy issues that affect the way and sometimes their ability they deliver high quality care.

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