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HEALTHCARE SUPPLY CHAIN ASSOCIATION (HSCA) WELCOMES HEALTH RESOURCE SERVICES (HRS) AS NEW MEMBER

Seattle-based GPO has helped thousands of clients reduce supply chain costs and improve quality of care for 25+ years; HRS President Ken Freeman joins HSCA Board of Directors

Washington, DC (April 18, 2017) – The Healthcare Supply Chain Association (HSCA), which represents the nation’s leading healthcare group purchasing organizations (GPOs), today welcomed Health Resource Services (HRS), a group purchasing and contracting organization from Seattle, Washington, as a new member. HRS President Ken Freeman will join the HSCA Board of Directors and bring his 45 years of healthcare administration experience to help guide the organization.

“HSCA member GPOs are critical cost-savings and sourcing partners to American hospitals, long-term care facilities, surgery centers, and clinics, delivering value that helps healthcare providers focus on providing first-class care to patients. HSCA welcomes Health Resource Services as a member, and we look forward to advocating alongside HRS for policy solutions that help reduce costs, and increase competition and innovation in the market,” said HSCA President and CEO Todd Ebert, R.Ph. “HSCA is also pleased to welcome HRS President Ken Freeman to the board of directors. Ken’s decades of GPO and healthcare administration experience will be invaluable as the industry continues to help providers navigate a time of great transition in the healthcare system.”

Health Resource Services is Intalere’s largest marketing affiliate and integrated delivery network (IDN), providing group purchasing and consulting services to over 19,000 healthcare providers across the continental United States as well as Alaska and Hawaii. Since the 1980s, HRS has helped thousands of clients reduce supply chain costs, boost revenue and improve quality of care by providing access to a portfolio of carefully negotiated contracts, including medical/surgical products and equipment, pharmaceuticals, diagnostic imaging, facility and maintenance, laboratory supplies, office supplies and business services.

“HRS is dedicated to providing our nation’s healthcare providers and patients with the best products and services at the best value, and we are pleased to join HSCA, an organization that shares that core mission,” said HRS President Ken Freeman. “GPOs are instrumental in an effective healthcare supply chain, and the value that GPOs deliver touches virtually every part of the healthcare delivery system. HRS is proud to partner with healthcare providers across the country to provide high-quality services, enabling them to provide the best patient care possible.”
GPOs are the sourcing and purchasing partners to virtually all of America’s 7,700+ hospitals, as well as the vast majority of the 68,000+ long-term care facilities, surgery centers, clinics, and other healthcare providers.

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**About the Healthcare Supply Chain Association (HSCA)**
The Healthcare Supply Chain Association (HSCA) represents the nation’s leading healthcare group purchasing organizations (GPOs), which are critical cost-savings partners to America’s hospitals, nursing homes, nursing home pharmacies, clinics, home healthcare providers and surgery centers. GPOs deliver billions in savings annually to healthcare providers, Medicare and Medicaid, and taxpayers. HSCA and its member GPOs are committed to delivering the best products at the best value to healthcare providers, to increasing competition and innovation in the market, and to being supply chain leaders in transparency and accountability. For more information, visit www.supplychainassociation.org. Follow HSCA on Twitter @HSCA.

**About Health Resource Services (HRS)**
Health Resource Services (HRS) is a group purchasing – contracting organization that negotiates reduced pricing for its members. Since the 1980s, HRS has helped thousands of clients reduce supply chain expenses, boost revenue and improve quality of care by providing access to a portfolio of carefully negotiated contracts. The contracts offered to members cover a full spectrum of healthcare services, including: medical/surgical products and equipment, pharmaceuticals, diagnostic imaging, facility and maintenance, laboratory supplies, office supplies and business services.