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Lighthouse Hospice Partners with 'We Honor Veterans' Organization

Harden Healthcare's Hospice Division Demonstrates Commitment to Veterans Facing Life-Limiting Illness

TEMPLE, Texas—Lighthouse Hospice, a member of the Harden Healthcare family of companies, is proud to announce its partnership with We Honor Veterans, a campaign developed by the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization in collaboration with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. The goal of the campaign is to improve end-of-life care and support for veterans and their families. Currently, one out of every four dying Americans is a veteran.

“Lighthouse Hospice is dedicated to providing the best possible care for veterans, and through our partnership with We Honor Veterans, we are able to do so,” Jay Koeper, president of Harden Healthcare’s Hospice Division, said.

“Lighthouse Hospice serves the Temple, Killeen and Waco area, and we care for many veterans. Additionally, we recognize the importance of working with our patients’ VA medical facilities in their local communities.”

As part of this partnership, Lighthouse Hospice will implement ongoing veteran-centered education for staff and volunteers. The resources provided by We Honor Veterans focus on respectful inquiry, compassionate listening and grateful acknowledgement of the veteran’s service.

In cases where there are certain needs related to the veteran’s military service, combat experience or traumatic events encountered while in the armed forces, Lighthouse Hospice will utilize tools and resources from the campaign to provide the necessary support.

Lighthouse Hospice, which is part of Harden Healthcare’s Hospice Division, provides hospice services to nearly 90 counties in Texas. Harden Healthcare is a Texas-based company that provides a continuum of healthcare services, primarily for seniors, and has operations in 14 states. The company’s Hospice Division is one of the largest hospice providers in the Central U.S., serving six states.

Hospice care aims to lessen the severity of symptoms associated with terminal illnesses. This process allows the patient and his or her family to actively participate in and make choices about the final stage of life's journey, enhancing the quality of life for the patient and loved ones. Several studies have found that when pain and other symptoms are controlled, as they are in a hospice setting, the patient not only has a better quality of life but can actually live longer.

For additional information about We Honor Veterans, please visit www.wehonorveterans.org .

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About Lighthouse Hospice

Lighthouse Hospice is dedicated to providing comprehensive and compassionate hospice care. The company strives to add to the quality of life and dignity of its patients and their families. Lighthouse offers palliative care in nearly 90 counties in Texas. Lighthouse Hospice provides care in the comfort and privacy of the patient's home or in a clinical setting. For more information, visit www.lighthouse-hospice.com.

About Harden Healthcare

Harden Healthcare, LLC was formed in December 2001 to own senior care facilities, and currently has operations in 14 states providing a continuum of healthcare services, primarily for seniors. The company's Home Health Division serves the home health needs of the elderly and infirmed. Harden also operates and manages senior care facilities in Texas through its subsidiary TRISUN Healthcare. The company's Hospice Division is one of the largest hospice providers in the Central U.S., serving six states. Harden also provides in-patient and out-patient therapy services (MBS Rehab), and long-term care pharmacy services (MBS Pharmacy). For more information, visit www.hardenhealthcare.com.