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Local executive earns top healthcare management credential

CHICAGO, September 27, 2017— Mark C. Marten, FACHE, President & CEO, Athena Group Consulting, LLC recently became a Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives, the nation's leading professional society for healthcare leaders.

“The healthcare management field plays a vital role in providing high-quality care to the people in our communities, which makes having a standard of excellence promoted by a professional organization critically important,” says Deborah J. Bowen, FACHE, CAE, president and chief executive officer of ACHE. “By becoming an ACHE Fellow and earning the distinction of board certification from ACHE, healthcare leaders demonstrate a commitment to excellence in serving their patients and the community.”

Fellow status represents achievement of the highest standard of professional development. In fact, only 9,100 healthcare executives hold this distinction. To obtain Fellow status, candidates must fulfill multiple requirements, including passing a comprehensive examination, meeting academic and experiential criteria, earning continuing education credits and demonstrating professional/community involvement. Fellows are also committed to ongoing professional development and undergo recertification every three years.

Marten of Athena Group Consulting, LLC in California is privileged to use the FACHE credential, which signifies board certification in healthcare management and ACHE Fellow status. Mr. Marten has a proven track record of improving results and developing strategies and vision for HealthCare organizations. He has held C-Suite and Senior Executive Management positions with Health Plans and IPAs. He possesses the skills necessary to manage staff and relationships at all levels in an organization and achieve significant efficiencies. Mr. Marten maintains a strong respect and trust in the industry and operates with high ethical standards and integrity. Through vast and varied experiences in the healthcare industry enabled the development of exemplary skills in senior management oversight, long-range planning, strategic direction, management of operations, communication, negotiation, contract relationships, client management and cost management.

For more information regarding the FACHE credential, please contact the ACHE Division of Membership at (312) 424-9400 or membership1@ache.org, or visit the Credentialing area of ache.org.

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About the American College of Healthcare Executives

The American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE) is an international professional society of 40,000 healthcare executives who lead hospitals, healthcare systems and other healthcare organizations. ACHE's mission is to advance our members and healthcare management excellence. ACHE offers its prestigious FACHE® credential, signifying board certification in healthcare management. ACHE's established network of 80 chapters provides access to networking, education and career development at the local level. In addition, ACHE is known for its magazine, Healthcare Executive, and its career development and public policy programs. Through such efforts, ACHE works toward its vision of being the preeminent professional society for healthcare executives dedicated to improving health. The Foundation of the American College of Healthcare Executives was established to further advance healthcare management excellence through education and research. The Foundation of ACHE is known for its educational programs—including the annual Congress on Healthcare Leadership, which draws more than 4,000 participants—and groundbreaking research. Its publishing division, Health Administration Press, is one of the largest publishers of books and journals on health services management including textbooks for college and university courses.

About the Athena Group Consulting, LLC

Athena Group Consulting is a Health Care Consulting firm specializing in strategic direction for organizations as the discussion moves from Contracting to Operations to Strategy. Mr. Marten also serves as an advisor for private equity partners and investors on Health Care related transactions. He also serves as interim CEO or COO for companies looking for a seasoned executive to fill a temporary or part-time need.

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