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Gerald L. Glandon Named President & CEO of AUPHA

ARLINGTON, VA - The Board of Directors of the Association of University Programs in Health Administration (AUPHA) announced today that Gerald L. Glandon, PhD, has been appointed President and Chief Executive Officer of the Association. Glandon will succeed Lydia Middleton, MBA, CAE, who announced her retirement from AUPHA in February.

Since 2001, Glandon has served as Professor and Chair of the Department of Health Services Administration at the University of Alabama at Birmingham. The Department, which consists of seven programs from bachelor to doctoral and two education and service centers, has experienced rapid growth during his tenure through expanded enrollment (undergraduate and graduate level), new program development, greater research funding, and international ventures. The MSHA Program in the Department has risen to fifth in *US News and World Report's* last ranking. Glandon will take over AUPHA's President & CEO November 1, 2013, and resign his position with UAB in October.

"I am honored to be appointed to the leadership of AUPHA, a role begun by Gary Filerman and most recently filled by Lydia Middleton. As a member and supporter of AUPHA since the early 1980s, I believe in its vital mission within our ever changing healthcare and education environments. The combination of fundamental changes being implemented in the nation's healthcare system and similar changes on the horizon for education make this a challenging time for our members. AUPHA has a crucial role in helping to guide members forward. With the help of the Board and AUPHA's many constituencies, I hope to continue to pursue our mission of fostering excellence and driving excellence in health management and policy education," said Glandon.

"I'd like to thank the members of the search committee, Sharon Schweikhart, Bob Hernandez, Lou Rubino, and Mary Stefl for the hard work they put into this effort. We began working on this selection in April with the help of Larry Tyler and his team. After a very thorough process, we came down to a small handful of very capable finalists and, ultimately, chose Jerry based on his match to what we heard the membership of AUPHA indicate they wanted in a new CEO. I'm grateful to the members of the AUPHA Board for their insight, their suggestions, and their unanimous ratification of the search committee's recommendation. It was clear to us, based on Jerry's experience, his network of friends and colleagues in the field of healthcare, his good ideas, and his excitement for the position, that he is the right person for the job at this time. With Jerry at the helm and the fine staff we have running the daily operations of AUPHA, I'm confident that we are in good hands

and look forward to building on what already is our fine organization,” AUPHA Board Chair Ken Johnson, PhD, Weber State University, stated.

During Dr. Glandon’s tenure at UAB, he taught courses at the doctoral and master’s levels and engaged in continuing education efforts through the Department’s Centers. He served as the interim Program Director for the Health Informatics Program in the Department and as Director of the Center for Health Services Continuing Education. His primary research interests have been technology evaluation (specifically information technology), the economics of aging, patient and physician satisfaction, and assessment of organizational performance. Throughout his career, he has received numerous grants as principal investigator and co-principal investigator including funding from government and private organizations. Glandon has published in such journals as *JAMA*, *Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences*, *Medical Care*, *Hospital and Health Services Administration*, and *Health Services Research* as well as numerous books and book chapters. In 2008, he published a text in healthcare information management, *Information Systems for Healthcare Management*, with Dr. Herb Smaltz and Dr. Donna Slovensky. Over the years, Dr. Glandon has kept his research and practice skills current by engaging in extensive consulting with academic health centers, external agencies, and organizations. These activities have included process improvement, employee satisfaction assessment and reporting, litigation support, and nursing organization, quality and cost studies. He has also worked extensively in international health with engagements in Albania, Saudi Arabia, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Yemen, and Kazakhstan. He has both developed and delivered management education in these countries and provided healthcare strategic analysis to Ministries of Health and to individual hospitals. He worked with a team on “Development of a Comprehensive Health Care Program for the Republic of Kazakhstan” that ended with recommendations regarding public health needs; healthcare delivery; healthcare capital improvement; education and research; administration of the healthcare system; financing and incentives; and budget. Prior to coming to UAB, he was Program Director of the Department of Health Systems Management at Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke’s Medical Center in Chicago. He started his career as a researcher with the American Medical Association and worked as a Senior Consultant, InterQual, Inc., and Director of Research, MediQual, Inc. He will move to the Washington, DC, area with his wife, Roberta Shapiro. Together, they have three grown children.

Lydia Middleton, who will be stepping down on August 31st, after nine years as President & CEO, will continue supporting AUPHA activities for the next several months to assist with the transition.

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AUPHA is a global network of colleges, universities, faculty, individuals and organizations dedicated to the improvement of healthcare delivery through excellence in healthcare management and policy education. Its mission is to foster excellence and drive innovation in health management and policy education, and promote the value of university-based management education for leadership roles in the health sector. It is the only non-profit entity of its kind that works to improve the delivery of health services – and thus the health

of citizens – throughout the world by educating professional managers at the entry level. AUPHA's membership includes the premier baccalaureate, master's and doctoral degree programs in health administration education in the United States, Canada, and around the world. Its faculty and individual members represent more than 400 colleges and universities.

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