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**AUPHA ANNOUNCES NEW PARTNERSHIP WITH THE
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF HEALTH SERVICES EXECUTIVES**

WASHINGTON, DC, September 23, 2021 – The Association of University Programs in Health Administration (AUPHA) is pleased to announce a new partnership with the National Association of Health Services Executives (NAHSE). Beginning October 1, 2021, NAHSE will join AUPHA's list of Corporate Partners at the Silver Level. Other Corporate Partners include the American College of Healthcare Executives, the American Hospital Association, the Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Management Education, Peregrine Academic Services, Health Administration Press, and Jones & Bartlett Learning. AUPHA will also continue its participation as a sponsor of NAHSE at the Friend level, supporting their Annual Educational Conference.

The new and enhanced relationship will provide for strengthened collaboration between the two organizations, including connecting NAHSE's local/regional chapters and AUPHA's university programs in those regions, a joint keynote presentation prior to AUPHA's Annual Meeting, and other initiatives.

"The new NAHSE Corporate Partnership with AUPHA is a natural extension of our relationship of supporting one another in our very complementary missions. By formalizing our relationships, we can be more intentional about what we will accomplish and how we will work together to move healthcare management and leadership and health policy forward," said Dan Gentry, PhD, MHA, President and CEO of AUPHA. "We are better together in our mutual quest for achieving inclusive excellence in higher education, practice, and policy for our field."

"NAHSE has a history of collaboration with AUPHA which dates back to our founding in 1968. The first AUPHA president, Gary Filerman, PhD, and one of the NAHSE founders, Haynes Rice, MBA, were instrumental in advancing student enrollment in graduate programs and identifying summer internships to advance student leadership competencies," said Fabian Stone, MBA, MHA, MT (ASCP), President of NAHSE. "NAHSE and AUPHA's ongoing collaboration

to advance student excellence through the Everett V. Fox Student Case Competition has built a foundation for ongoing initiatives. NAHSE has a high regard for AUPHA and looks forward to our ongoing relationship.”

The National Association of Health Services Executives (NAHSE) is a non-profit association of Black health care executives founded in 1968 for the purpose of promoting the advancement and development of Black health care leaders, and elevating the quality of health care services rendered to minority and underserved communities.

NAHSE’s purpose is to ensure greater participation of minority groups in the health field. Its basic objective is to develop and maintain a strong viable national body to more effectively have input in the national health care delivery system. It has provided a vehicle for Blacks to effectively participate in the design, direction and delivery of quality health care to all people. For more information, please visit www.nahse.org

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 innovation in health management and policy education, and scholarship. 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 programs in health administration education in the United States, Canada, and around the world. For more information, please visit www.aupha.org.