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AUPHA JOINS BETTER TOGETHER HEALTHCARE EXECUTIVE DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION COLLABORATIVE

WASHINGTON, DC, March 3, 2023 – The Association of University Programs in Health Administration (AUPHA) is pleased to announce it has joined the *Better Together Executive Healthcare Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Collaborative*. Members of the *Collaborative*, formed in 2016, include the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE), which also represents the ACHE Asian Healthcare Leaders Community and ACHE’s LGBTQ+ Healthcare Leaders Community; the American Hospital Association’s (AHA) Institute for Diversity and Health Equity (IFDHE); the National Association of Health Services Executives (NAHSE); and the National Association of Latino Healthcare Executives (NALHE). The *Collaborative’s* purpose is to identify strategies and activities that build on the individual and collective strengths and united missions of these organizational members to advance health equity, with a special focus on increasing the momentum of DEI initiatives within these organizations and increasing a diverse and inclusive workforce.

“AUPHA has been working closely with the leadership of ACHE, AHA’s IFDHE, NAHSE, and NALHE for the past several years to share information about our individual efforts to make the field of healthcare management and leadership more diverse and inclusive,” said Dan Gentry, PhD, MHA, President and CEO of AUPHA. “This invitation to formally be a part of the collaborative will now provide

opportunities to work toward mutually agreed upon goals and objectives together. AUPHA is grateful to be included in this critically important work with these outstanding partners.”

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