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LANHAM, MD, February 3, 2014 – SVU is pleased to announce the approval of an educational grant to support *American College of Cardiology's (ACC) 63rd Annual Scientific Session (ACC.14) Vascular Medicine Learning Pathway*, scheduled to be held March 29-31 in Washington, DC.

ACC.14 will bring together the top cardiovascular health professionals from around the world who are dedicated to improving their patients' heart health. Over the years, there has been a shift from highly invasive procedural treatment such as open surgery to significantly less invasive options involving ultrasound-guided catheter techniques. SVU, along with ACC, realizes the change in the industry landscape and supports education designed to reach the cardiovascular team. "With the vast amount of clinical research to treat diseases of the veins and blood vessels, it's essential to have a program that highlights the most significant research in this field — especially with the shift in recent years towards less invasive catheter based treatments," said ACC.14 Co-chair Prediman "P.K." Shah, MD, FACC. "SVU has generously provided educational grant support for the Vascular Medicine Learning Pathway to help synthesize the latest information for the cardiovascular care team and ensure their patients get the best care."

Over the course of three days, attendees to the educational track, *ACC.14 Vascular Medicine Learning Pathway*, will be able to earn up to 10.25 hours of vascular CME credits. "Last year was our first time exhibiting at ACC and we were highly successful in terms of new memberships gained and interest in our educational offerings. Exhibiting again in 2014 and providing support for the Vascular Medicine Learning Pathway continues to demonstrate our commitment to cardiologists who provide vascular care," Thomas L. Stefaniak, MBA, CAE, SVU Executive Director.

SVU is committed to providing exceptional education to those in vascular medicine, surgery and ultrasound including vascular physicians and cardiologists. Providing over 18 vascular-specific *AMA PRA Category 1 CME Credits*TM each year free for member through a peer-reviewed journal and webinars, SVU ensures the continued education of vascular physicians, surgeons and cardiologists.

Founded in 1977, SVU is the only professional organization completely dedicated to the advancement of non-invasive vascular technology used in the diagnosis and treatment of vascular disease. SVU is comprised of more than 5,200 vascular technologists, physicians, cardiologists and other allied health professionals. SVU's web address is www.svunet.org.

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