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ACHE Announces William C. Richardson, PhD, as Honorary Fellow

CHICAGO, Jan. 16, 2014—William C. Richardson, PhD, president emeritus, W.K. Kellogg Foundation, and president emeritus, The Johns Hopkins University, has been selected as an Honorary Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives.

Honorary Fellowship is a special category of ACHE membership. It recognizes individuals who have rendered distinguished service in the healthcare field or in related areas and who would not normally be ACHE members. Richardson will receive his Honorary Fellowship on Sunday, March 23, 2014, at the Convocation Ceremony during ACHE's 57th Congress on Healthcare Leadership in Chicago.

Richardson, who is also college professor of policy at Kalamazoo (Mich.) College (pro bono), is the retired chairman and co-trustee of the \$8 billion W.K. Kellogg Foundation Trust, where he served for 12 years.

Richardson began his career in 1967 at the University of Chicago and then moved to the University of Washington in Seattle, where he served in several roles throughout the 1970s and early '80s, including as professor of health policy and management and dean of the graduate school and vice provost of research. In 1984 he became executive vice president and provost of The Pennsylvania State University and in 1990 was named president of The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore.

In 1995 Richardson became president and CEO of the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, serving for 10 years.

Richardson has devoted his academic career to research related to the organization and financing of health services in the United States. His stellar reputation in the field led to being elected to the Institute of Medicine's National Academy of Sciences in 1980 and to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in 1999. He chaired the Institute of Medicine Committee on Quality of Health Care, which issued two widely noted reports: *To Err is Human* on medical errors in the U.S. and *Crossing the Quality Chasm* on the broader issues of major improvement in U.S. healthcare.

Richardson earned a doctorate and an MBA in health policy from the University of Chicago and a bachelor's degree from Trinity College, Hartford, Conn.

About the American College of Healthcare Executives

The **American College of Healthcare Executives** is an international professional society of more than 40,000 healthcare executives who lead hospitals, healthcare systems and other healthcare organizations. ACHE offers its prestigious FACHE® credential, signifying board certification in healthcare management. ACHE's established network of more than 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 goal of being the premier professional society for healthcare executives dedicated to improving healthcare delivery. 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.

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