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Applications Now Accepted for Thomas C. Dolan Executive Diversity Program

CHICAGO, May 25, 2016 – To enhance diversity and inclusion in senior healthcare leadership, the American College of Healthcare Executives will award six scholars with a position in the prestigious Thomas C. Dolan Executive Diversity Program (EDP). Applications for the 2017 program will be accepted through July 8. The selected scholars will receive full tuition for seven educational sessions, including ACHE's annual Congress on Healthcare Leadership.

The Thomas C. Dolan Executive Diversity Program was established by the Foundation of ACHE's Fund for Innovation in Healthcare Leadership to honor Thomas C. Dolan, PhD, FACHE, FASAE, president and CEO of ACHE from 1991–2013. The EDP recognizes Dolan's longstanding service to the profession of healthcare leadership and his strong commitment to achieving greater diversity among senior healthcare leaders.

In healthcare organizations today, there is a well-documented gap between diversity in the C-suite and the diversity of the communities being served. This program addresses this gap by preparing mid- and senior-level careerists from underrepresented groups to ascend to the C-suite of hospitals, health systems and other healthcare organizations.

To be selected for one of the coveted EDP positions, candidates must meet the [application requirements](#) and submit an application by the July 8 deadline. During this year-long program, the EDP cohort will benefit from specialized curriculum opportunities that prepare them to successfully navigate potential career challenges and enhance executive presence. The scholars will also gain from one-on-one interaction with an individually matched mentor, an expanded network of leaders, and participation in formal leadership education and career assessments that strengthen self-awareness and critical leadership skills.

Applications for the 2017 program are being accepted through July 8 at 5 p.m. Central.

The 2017 program includes tuition for the following sessions:

January 2017 (2 days)	Orientation Meeting—Chicago Program overview Preparation for mentoring relationship Leadership and communications assessments
March 27–30, 2017	60th Congress on Healthcare Leadership—Chicago Full Congress experience Participation in the Diversity Breakfast
June 2017 (2 days)	Senior Executive or Executive Program Session I—Chicago Full program experience
August 2017 (2 days)	Senior Executive or Executive Program Session II—San Diego Full program experience

October 2017
(2 days)

[Senior Executive or Executive Program Session III—Orlando](#)
Full program experience

December 2017
(2 days)

Customized Educational Event—Chicago
Topical presentations
Wrap-up and program evaluation

For more information about this program, please contact Cie Armstead, Director, Diversity & Inclusion, at (312) 424-9306 or carmstead@ache.org. To learn more about the Fund for Innovation in Healthcare Leadership, visit ache.org/Innovation.

About the American College of Healthcare Executives

The **American College of Healthcare Executives** is an international professional society of 40,000 healthcare executives who lead hospitals, healthcare systems and other healthcare organizations. ACHE's mission is to advance its members and healthcare management excellence. ACHE offers its prestigious FACHE[®] credential, signifying board certification in healthcare management. ACHE's established network of 79 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 vision of being the preeminent professional society for healthcare executives dedicated to improving health. **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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