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**American Association of Accountable Care Organizations
Announces Formal Launch**

MINNEAPOLIS—The American Association of Accountable Care Organizations (AAACO) announced its formal launch as a national trade association formed to support the development of accountable care organizations (ACOs).

AAACO will serve to help developing ACOs not only meet the applicable legal requirements for ACOs, but provide the healthcare marketplace with an attractive and viable option to deliver quality healthcare services at competitive prices. AAACO will also work with government stakeholders to ensure that ACOs are structured effectively and efficiently to avoid the burden of unnecessary regulations and costs of compliance.

"The challenges in delivering quality and cost-effective healthcare have never been greater. The ACO model is not only the latest model to meet these challenges, but also may soon be mandated by the government. The AAACO provides the unique opportunity for stakeholders to have a voice in the process of the development of the ACOs and provide a critical forum for reconciling the varied interests among them." says AAACO President, Todd Freeman.

AAACO offers membership to ACOs, hospitals, professional associations, health plans, physicians and dentists and other professionals who serve the healthcare industry (e.g., attorneys,

accountants, consultants, etc.), and will provide valuable information through its website, webinars, links, contributed articles and list serves.

“We are pleased to be a part of this transition in patient care and organizational efficiencies from the beginning and look forward to supporting the development of ACO’s.” Renee Molstad, Executive Director.

For more information on AAACO, visit <http://www.aaaccountablecare.org/> or contact Renee Molstad, Executive Director, at renee@aaaccountablecare.org or Don Giroux, Associate Director, at don@aaaccountablecare.org .

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