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## NCHL NAMES TIM RICE AS NEW PRESIDENT AND BOARD CHAIR

CHICAGO, February 11, 2015 – The National Center for Healthcare Leadership (NCHL), a not-for-profit that works to improve population health by strengthening healthcare leadership, said today that it has named R. Timothy Rice, chief executive officer emeritus of Cone Health, to the new position of president and board chair, effective immediately.

“NCHL could not ask for a better champion for its mission than Tim,” CEO Andrew Garman said. “In addition to being a highly respected healthcare leader, Tim is also a well-recognized supporter of healthcare leadership development who has deep knowledge of our organization. As NCHL begins its 14th year, Tim’s leadership will help ensure we deliver on strengthening the leadership development needs of a dramatically changing industry.”

The new position will be a two-year appointment that will further NCHL’s goals by building liaisons with industry leaders and other national healthcare organizations.

“This is a great opportunity to combine my passion for leadership development with my strong industry contacts to help spread NCHL’s unique offerings across the landscape and meet the needs of healthcare organizations that are pursuing high performance,” Mr. Rice said. “I look forward to working with the NCHL team to ensure that we continue to develop professionals who are prepared to lead extraordinarily complex healthcare organizations and the field.”

Tim Rice retired as CEO from Cone Health in October 2014, where he had worked for nearly 40 years. He joined Cone Health’s Moses Cone Memorial Hospital in 1978 and then left to pursue a graduate degree in health administration. He returned to Cone Health in various management roles and was appointed CEO in 2004.

Mr. Rice has a long career in healthcare leadership that includes serving as chair, North Carolina Hospital Association, chair, the Greensboro Partnership, chair, VHA Southern Atlantic, and numerous

other community health care boards. He serves nationally on the board of directors of The Joint Commission and he is a Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives. He received the Thomas Z. Osborne Distinguished Citizen Award for 2011 from the Greensboro Partnership and he received the Distinguished Service Award for 2012 from the North Carolina Hospital Association.

A native of Washington, he graduated from Washington State University with a degree in pharmacy and later a residency in clinical pharmacy. Mr. Rice earned his MBA from Duke University.

#### ABOUT THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR HEALTHCARE LEADERSHIP

The National Center for Healthcare Leadership (NCHL), a Chicago-based not-for-profit organization, is an industry catalyst to ensure the availability of accountable and transformational healthcare leadership for the 21st century. Its vision is to improve the health of the public through leadership and organizational excellence. For more information please visit NCHL's website at [www.nchl.org](http://www.nchl.org).

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