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Association for Healthcare Philanthropy Recognizes Page with Highest Distinction – the AHP Fellow

WASHINGTON, D.C., (October 25, 2012) – The Association for Healthcare Philanthropy (AHP) recognized Andrea Page of Stratford General Hospital Foundation in Stratford, Ont. for achieving the AHP Fellow designation (FAHP). Page is in the 38th class of Fellows to be honored.

Elevation to the status of Fellow in AHP is the highest level of achievement in the field of health care philanthropy. Conferring of the Fellow designation is not so much an award, as it is recognition of individual professional distinction, well earned through dedication and continual self-advancement.

Andrea Page, FAHP, CFRE, has over 25 years of fundraising experience in hospitals and nonprofit organization across Ontario, with more than 10 years in her current position as the executive director of Stratford General Hospital Foundation.

Page is also a Certified Fund Raising Executive (CFRE). She is a graduate of Humber College's journalism program and also has received numerous national awards for her work in fundraising and communications by the Association for Healthcare Philanthropy and the Health Care Public Relations Association. Page was honored in 2011 with her inclusion as a panelist on the Governor General's Panel on Philanthropy at the invitation of his Excellency the Right Honourable David Johnston, Governor General of Canada. Page has served on the AHP Canada Regional Cabinet as regional communications chair since 2007 and frequently serves as track dean for national and international AHP conferences, including the 2012 AHP Canada Regional Conference in Calgary.

The Association for Healthcare Philanthropy is dedicated to the advancement of health care institutions and organizations through the enhancement of its members' performance and professionalism. To this end, AHP sets professional standards for health care development officers, offers comprehensive educational programs to help them achieve those standards, and examines them to determine who meets those standards. Professionals who successfully complete the Fellow examination earn the designation "Fellow of the Association for Healthcare Philanthropy," or FAHP.

Successful applicants must have earned the Certified Fundraising Executive (CFRE) designation, have at least eight years of experience in raising and managing philanthropic funds for a health care organization, and pledge in writing to adhere to the AHP Statement of Professional Standards and Conduct and to uphold the AHP-endorsed Donor Bill of Rights. To achieve the status of Fellow, applicants must pass a written and oral exam.

AHP, established in 1967, is a not-for-profit organization whose 5,000+ members manage philanthropic programs in 2,000 of the nation's 3,400 not-for-profit health care providers.

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