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ASPHO Achieves ACCME Accreditation with Commendation

Chicago, January 2022: The Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education, ACCME, has awarded the American Society of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology (ASPHO) Accreditation with Commendation. This recognition places the Society in a select category of only 30% of US education providers who have achieved this impressive distinction in providing continuing medical education.

Executive Director/CEO Sally Weir, CAE, said ASPHO met eight additional eight criteria to qualify as a Commendation CME provider, which AACME describes as "implementing best practices in pedagogy, engagement, evaluation, and change management, and for focusing on generating meaningful outcomes....that advance interprofessional collaborative practice, address public health priorities, create behavioral change, show leadership, leverage educational technology, and demonstrate the impact of education on healthcare professionals and patients." Weir continued, "We are pleased with the accreditation because we know that PHO physicians benefit enormously from CME at the ASPHO Conference, Review Course, and other programs and resources," noting that an impressive 88% of conference attendees report applying conference education to clinical and investigative work.

"It is with enormous pride that the Board of Trustees congratulates ASPHO's education program and volunteers for this outstanding achievement," notes ASPHO President Jorge Di Paola, MD, of Washington University in St. Louis and St. Louis

Children's Hospital, acknowledging "the excellent collaboration of our education team and committee members, including Jeffrey M. Hord, MD, Akron Children's Hospital, and Mukta Sharma, MD MPH, Children's Mercy, in their respective roles of Education Chair and Accreditation Sub-Committee Chair during the application process."

Founded in 1981, the American Society of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology (ASPHO) advances research, education, treatment, and professional practice in support of pediatric hematology/oncology physicians and other practicing professionals, including nearly 2,000 members, who are dedicated to the optimal care of children, adolescents, and young adults with blood disorders and cancer. ASPHO sponsors educational and professional development programs including the ASPHO Conference and co-sponsors Pediatric Blood & Cancer. ASPHO welcomes diversity and inclusion within the profession and the Society's membership, and in 2020 published a statement condemning racism and supporting healthcare equity. For more information visit www.aspho.org, and contact ASPHO at info@aspho.org or 847-375-4716. Follow ASPHO on Twitter and Facebook.

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