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**AAHRPP Accredits Three More Research Organizations:
One in India, two in U.S.**

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The Association for the Accreditation of Human Research Protection Programs today announced that it has accredited three more research organizations: a hospital system in India, a research institute in West Virginia, and an academic medical center in Nebraska.

- Apollo Hospitals Enterprise Ltd., Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India. Includes the following:
 - Apollo Hospitals International Ltd., Ahmedabad
 - Apollo Hospitals, Chennai
 - Apollo Health City, Hyderabad
 - Apollo Specialty Hospitals, Madurai
 - Indraprastha Apollo Hospital, New Delhi
- CAMC Health Education and Research Institute, Inc., Charleston, West Virginia
- University of Nebraska Medical Center, Omaha, Nebraska

“These latest accreditations are a reminder that AAHRPP standards apply equally well to organizations in all sectors of the research enterprise, in the United States and around the globe,” AAHRPP President and CEO Elyse I. Summers said.

“If an organization conducts research involving human participants, it can benefit by committing to AAHRPP’s high standards and emphasis on quality improvement,” she added. “Perhaps even more important is the impact on research participants, who can be confident that protecting them is an AAHRPP-accredited organization’s highest priority.”

To date, 227 organizations have earned AAHRPP accreditation. Of these, 36 are located outside the United States.

To earn AAHRPP accreditation, organizations must demonstrate that they have built extensive safeguards into every level of their research operation and that they adhere to high standards for research. In today’s global, collaborative research enterprise, organizations increasingly rely on AAHRPP accreditation status to help identify trusted research partners.

AAHRPP has accredited organizations in 47 states, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, China, India, Mexico, Republic of Korea, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, South Africa, Taiwan and Thailand. All

major U.S. independent institutional review boards have earned AAHRPP accreditation. In addition, more than 60 percent of U.S. research-intensive universities and over 65 percent of U.S. medical schools are either AAHRPP accredited or have begun the accreditation process. The National Institutes of Health, the world's largest public funder of research, has earned accreditation, as has Pfizer, Inc., the largest industry sponsor of clinical research.

About AAHRPP: A nonprofit organization, AAHRPP provides accreditation for organizations that conduct or review human research and can demonstrate that their protections exceed the safeguards required by the U.S. government. To learn more, visit www.aahrpp.org.

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