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## CANCER SUPPORT COMMUNITY AWARDED FOR CONTRIBUTIONS IN ONCOLOGY

Cancer Support Community is presented with the Annual Achievement Award of the Association of Community Cancer Centers (ACCC)

WASHINGTON – (Oct. 24, 2016) – The Cancer Support Community, an international nonprofit, was awarded last week the Annual Achievement Award of the Association of Community Cancer Centers (ACCC) for outstanding contributions nationally to cancer care and to patients with cancer. The award was presented before an audience of approximately 600 attendees at the National Oncology Conference, held October 19-21 in St. Louis, Missouri.

The ACCC's Annual Achievement Award is presented to individuals or groups whose work in cancer care has significantly contributed to the oncology patient. Past honorees include esteemed cancer advocates and foundation leaders, as well as U.S. presidents and senators, such as President George H.W. Bush and Barbara Bush, and Sen. Ted Kennedy.

"We are honored to accept the Annual Achievement Award and are grateful for ACCC's recognition of our important work. We share in ACCC's vision to achieve quality, comprehensive cancer care for all," said Kim Thiboldeaux, CEO of the Cancer Support Community.

The Cancer Support Community was awarded for its commitment to cancer patients and their caregivers through a multitude of services, including its in-person support programs, telephone helpline and educational resources, all provided free of charge to patients. ACCC also recognized the Cancer Support Community's work in psychosocial, caregiver and survivorship research through the organization's Research and Training Institute, as well as its efforts in public policy and advocacy through its Cancer Policy Institute.

The Association of Community Cancer Centers is an advocacy and education organization with more than 23,000 affiliated cancer care professionals from over 2,500 hospitals and practices nationwide. ACCC provides a national forum for addressing issues that affect community cancer programs, as well as resources for the entire oncology care team.

## **About the Cancer Support Community**

As the largest professionally led nonprofit network of cancer support worldwide, the Cancer Support Community (CSC) is dedicated to ensuring that all people impacted by cancer are empowered by knowledge, strengthened by action and sustained by community. CSC achieves its mission through three areas: direct service delivery, research and advocacy. The organization includes an international network of Affiliates that offer the highest quality social and emotional support for people impacted by cancer, as well as a community of support available

online and over the phone. The Research and Training Institute conducts cutting-edge psychosocial, behavioral and survivorship research. CSC furthers its focus on patient advocacy through its Cancer Policy Institute, informing public policy in Washington, D.C. and across the nation. For more information, please call the toll-free Cancer Support Helpline at 888-793-9355, or visit <a href="www.CancerSupportCommunity.org">www.CancerSupportCommunity.org</a>. So that no one faces cancer alone®

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