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National Home Infusion Association presents 2020 Gene Graves Lifetime Achievement Award

Alexandria, Va. (April 29, 2020) — The National Home Infusion Association (NHIA) is proud to announce that Lisa Sackuvich, RN, BSN, CRNI®, is the recipient of its 2020 Gene Graves Lifetime Achievement Award.

Sackuvich is the owner and president of ARJ Infusion Services in Lenexa, Kansas. Since launching her business in 2000, her philosophy has been that every patient deserves high-touch, personalized care for treatment of their rare or chronic disease. She has grown ARJ Infusion Services, a specialty pharmacy and nursing company, into a successful national organization—without losing sight of her original vision.

The Gene Graves Lifetime Achievement Award is the highest honor that NHIA bestows on a member of the home and specialty infusion community, and is given to those that embody the energy, innovative spirit, leadership, and commitment to home infusion patients and quality care.

Sackuvich’s belief in a holistic approach to health care shows in her tireless work to support patients with the day-to-day aspects of managing their lives. Through her leadership, ARJ advocates for patients in their communities, connecting them to resources and support to help address the challenges of living with a chronic condition.

The company also partners with local non-profit organizations to secure financial assistance, lifestyle resources, education, transportation, and translation services for
patients, families, and caregivers. In 2019, ARJ secured over $6 million in these crucial, life-changing resources for patients.

Patients and their families appreciate the approach to outstanding clinical care and comprehensive support, consistently giving ARJ high patient satisfaction scores. In 2019, the company ranked among the 10% in patient satisfaction for home infusion health care across the nation. That same year, ARJ also ranked fourth in the Kansas City Business Journal’s “Top Women-Owned Businesses” list and placed on the “Top Private Companies” in the region for the fifth year in a row.

“NHIA is proud to recognize Lisa’s accomplishments through this award,” said NHIA’s President and CEO Connie Sullivan, BSPharm. “She has built a company that embodies the highest ideals for clinical practice and patient care that goes well beyond delivering medications.”

“Lisa is a fitting recipient of the Gene Graves Award,” added NHIA Board Chair Logan Davis, PharmD, MBA. “Her commitment to patients and families is evident through the practice that she’s built, and the compassionate culture she’s nurtured within her company. We are proud to recognize Lisa’s accomplishments and celebrate the positive influence she’s had on our profession.”

NHIA is a trade association that represents companies that provide infusion therapy to patients in their homes, as well as companies that manufacture and supply infusion and specialty pharmacy products. The association’s mission is to provide advocacy, education, and resources to the home and specialty infusion community so the patients they serve can lead healthy, independent lives. Infusion therapy involves patient-specific compounded medications, supplies, and a range of pharmacy, nursing, and other clinical services for delivering care to patients in the home setting. For more information, visit www.nhia.org.

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