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NASL Elects New Board, President at 32nd Annual Meeting *Bestows the NASL Member of the Year Award*

Washington, DC – The National Association for the Support of Long Term Care (NASL) elected a new president and directors for the association’s Board of Directors this week during the NASL 32nd Annual Meeting in Washington, DC. Select Rehab’s President, Mike Capstick, PT, was elected by the NASL Board of Directors as the association’s new Board president. Mr. Capstick succeeds Martha Schram, PT, who is the CEO and President of Aegis Therapies and who now serves as Immediate Past President of NASL.

The NASL Board reflects the diversity of the full membership, which ranges from providers – *i.e.*, rehabilitation companies that collectively employ thousands of clinicians including speech-language pathologists (SLPs), physical therapists (PTs) and occupational therapists (OTs) and other provider groups that care for hundreds of thousands of patients – to health information technology developers; suppliers of nursing and therapy products and equipment; and clinical laboratories, portable x-ray and diagnostic testing services that furnish services to the long term and post-acute care sector. This diversity is part of NASL’s strength in dealing with complex issues and why the association has earned a solid reputation among policymakers as an honest broker of health policy.

Also at the Annual Meeting, on behalf of the NASL membership and Board, Martha Schram, NASL President, presented the Member of the Year Award to Board of Directors Member, Debbie Koepsel. In presenting the award, Ms. Schram said, “Debbie’s passion and commitment are truly singular. As a member of NASL’s Board of Directors, she has led several key initiatives for the organization and has been a tireless champion for the work we do.” Ms. Koepsel serves as President of Accelerated Care Plus (ACP), a Hanger Company, and has served the NASL Board since 2016. Hanger President of Products & Services, Regina Weger said, “Debbie’s long-time commitment, leadership and passion to help provide high-quality care in senior living has had an enormously positive impact on the field and people it serves. I speak on behalf of the entire ACP and Hanger family when I say we are so proud of this well-deserved recognition.”

The NASL Member of the Year Award—NASL’s highest honor—is awarded annually for service to the membership above and beyond. Ms. Koepsel was chosen because of numerous contributions over the years to NASL. Most recently she has headed a public relations campaign to communicate the value of rehab therapy for patients in post-acute care. Ms Koepsel has also spearheaded a branding campaign for the association to gain consensus about messaging, positioning, and future visioning of NASL. The nomination for Ms. Koepsel read, “Debbie is a passionate advocate for long term care and senior living and a true believer in the value of NASL as a coalition of competitors who unite to advocate for the PAC sector.”

The NASL membership elected new Board members and re-elected others who continue their services on the NASL Board of Directors, including:

- Jolynn Munro, Infinity Rehab
- Judy Elmore, AFFIRM Rehabilitation
- Irene Henrich, Flagship Rehabilitation
- Julie Wilkins, ONR
- Cheryl Strickland, Choice Rehabilitation
- Natalie Hooper, Rehab PRO
- Therasa Bell, Kno2
- Mark Gleason, Synergy Care

The newly elected President and board members join current board members including: Angela Amey, TridentCare, Ryan Beddingfield, PruittHealth; Jean Brooks, American Senior Communities; Jonalyn Brown, Consonus Healthcare Services; Mike Capstick, Select Rehabilitation; Cathy de Verteuil, Net Health; Christine Busby, Signature Rehab Services; Laura Dennis, Restore Therapy Services; Hilary Forman, HealthPRO Heritage; Jason Hazel, Fox Rehab; Madu Krish, Synchrony Rehab; Shawn Halcsik, Encore Rehabilitation; John Harned, BKD CPAs & Advisors; Genice Hornberger, PointClickCare; Debbie Koepsel, ACP; Linda Kolleng, Symbria; Robert Latz, Trinity Rehab Services; Chris Martin, American Health Associates; Traci McCullough, Functional Pathways; Hannah Patterson, Netsmart; Emily Rampmaier, Reliant Rehab; DeLaine Rice-White, ProMedica Senior Care, Martha Schram, Aegis Therapies; Martha Shaker, Concept Rehab; Lou Ann Soika, Genesis Rehab, Jaime Stoffer, Medline Rehab, and Kevin Whitehurst, MatrixCare.

NASL Board members are thought leaders in ancillary care and services for the long term and post-acute care (LTPAC) sector. “NASL is fortunate to have a Board of Directors that not only understands the importance of supporting the host industry but is eager to partner with Congress and federal government agencies like CMS and ONC,” commented newly elected NASL President and Select Rehab President, Mike Capstick, whose company is one of the largest rehab therapy providers in the country. “I’ve witnessed the incredible strides that NASL’s made in ensuring that its members are literally “at the table” and truly able to impact the policies that are shaping this sector. It’s because NASL is making such a difference in LTPAC policy that I’m honored to work with this outstanding Board and to serve as the new NASL Board President,” concluded Capstick.

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NASL is a trade association of ancillary providers of products and services to the post-acute sector, representing its members on Capitol Hill in legislative and regulatory issues that impact the quality of care to patients in the long term and post-acute care setting. If you have questions or would like additional information, please contact NASL (202) 803-2385 membership@nasl.org

