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PRESS RELEASE

Jay Kirkpatrick Receives AHRMM's 2013 Leadership Award

CHICAGO, **July 29**, **2013** — The Association for Healthcare Resource & Materials Management (AHRMM) of the American Hospital Association has named Jay Kirkpatrick, as the recipient of the 2013 George R. Gossett Leadership Award.

The Leadership Award is presented in memory of George R. Gossett, an early president of AHRMM. Gossett envisioned the prominence of resource and materials management in the healthcare field and championed the educational and professional development of the resource and materials management discipline. It is the highest honor bestowed by AHRMM and is given to an individual who has demonstrated an extraordinary level of leadership and professionalism in the field, made significant contributions to AHRMM and advanced the healthcare supply chain.

"Jay Kirkpatrick is a significant contributor to both AHRMM and many other healthcare supply chain organizations," said Annette Pummel, Chair of AHRMM. "Jay is a chief proponent of innovation and is extremely passionate about his profession and enhancing the healthcare supply chain as a whole. He has demonstrated leadership, advocacy and commitment to both AHRMM and the healthcare supply chain."

Kirkpatrick has been an active member of AHRMM both with local chapters and with the national organization, has published numerous articles during his career and was identified as one of the "Top 10 People to Watch" by the *Journal of Healthcare Contracting*. Kirkpatrick became a Certified Materials Resource Professional and has presented at many healthcare supply chain conferences and meetings. He participates in AHRMM, Strategic Marketplace Initiative (SMI), and the Medical Materials Coordinating Group, which focuses on disaster preparedness under the direction of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Kirkpatrick received the award on July 29, 2013, at AHRMM's Annual Conference in San Diego.

About AHRMM

The Association for Healthcare Resource & Materials Management (AHRMM) of the American Hospital Association is the leading national association for executives in the healthcare materials management profession. Founded in 1951, AHRMM prepares its more than 4,400 members to contribute to the field and advance the profession through the intersection of cost, quality, and outcomes via networking, education, recognition, and advocacy. AHRMM continues its commitment to keep members ahead of the learning curve by providing information and resources to not only assist them in their current positions, but also to prepare them for upcoming challenges and opportunities. For more information, visit www.ahrmm.org.

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