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AccessHealth Spartanburg Receives National Healthcare Award from Health Industry Leaders

Healthcare Leadership Council Honors AccessHealth Spartanburg with the Redefining American Healthcare Award

WASHINGTON—The Healthcare Leadership Council (HLC) honored AccessHealth Spartanburg with the *Redefining American Healthcare Award* at the John B. Cleveland Events Center on October 7, 2019.

AccessHealth Spartanburg began in 2010 with the mission to provide quality and timely health care to thousands of South Carolinans. The organization helps guide uninsured patients to a network of local physicians who have donated their time to provide healthcare to the underserved.

“AccessHealth Spartanburg serves to increase access to healthcare for our country’s most vulnerable population,” said Summer Teblat BSN, RN, Director of AccessHealth Spartanburg. “By taking a holistic approach and meeting people where they are, we are able to give our clients the tools and resources they need to improve both their health and quality of life. The work we do increases health equity and improves health outcomes, which are vital for a strong workforce and thriving community.”

Debbie Witche, executive vice president and chief operating officer of HLC, presented the award, stating, “Relationship building with community partners has increased effective care navigation by AccessHealth Spartanburg. HLC applauds the needs assessments and prep work provided to patients which address social barriers and ensure they are connected with the most suitable resources.”

Congressman Bill Timmons attended and spoke at the event. “I want to congratulate AccessHealth Spartanburg for receiving the Redefining American Healthcare Award from the Healthcare Leadership Council. AccessHealth is an incredible resource that has helped underserved populations in Spartanburg County for the last decade. I wish them nothing but success in the future!”

The Healthcare Leadership Council created the Redefining Healthcare Award to recognize best practices and programs in communities and organizations across the nation that optimize care for high-need patients. Award recipients are organizations developing and activating cost-effective, measurable community programs promoting a patient-centered approach to care that considers outside social factors in order to achieve the best outcomes.

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