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February 2014 PATH Intl. Begins Search for Chief Executive Officer

Denver— The Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International (PATH Intl.) announces a call for applicants for the association’s position of Chief Executive Officer (CEO). This vacancy will be filled in response to the planned retirement of the association’s current CEO who has led the organization for four years. The Denver, Colorado-based organization’s mission is to promote safety and optimal outcomes in equine-assisted activities and therapies (EAAT) for individuals with special needs.

PATH Intl. is a thriving community of dedicated professionals who seek and promote credentialing, learning and mentoring to advance the practice of EAAT. “PATH Intl. is poised to implement its new strategic plan,” states search committee chair and PATH Intl. Board of Trustees Vice President Julie Broadway. “Current industry growth and awareness have written an exciting chapter in this storied association’s history. Now we have a laser-like focus on the future,” says Broadway.

This full-time position will be based in Denver, CO. A full job description can be viewed at www.pathintl.org. Resumes must be submitted to ExecutiveSearch@pathintl.org, and will be accepted until March 1, 2014.

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About PATH Intl.:

Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International (PATH Intl.) was formed in 1969 to promote safety and optimal outcomes in equine-assisted activities and therapies for individuals with special needs. The association certifies professionals and accredits centers that each year help 56,000 children and adults with physical, mental and emotional challenges find strength and independence through the power of the horse.

Currently 850 member centers offer therapeutic riding and other therapeutic horsemanship activities including hippotherapy, equine-facilitated mental health, carriage driving, interactive vaulting, trail riding, competition, ground work and stable management. Through a wide variety of educational resources, and under the direction of the *PATH Intl. Standards for Certification and Accreditation*, the association helps individuals start and maintain

successful programs. There are nearly 52,000 volunteers, 4,232 instructors, 7,503 equines and thousands of contributors from all over the world helping people at PATH Intl. Centers.