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ATI Allied Health expands training solutions portfolio, launches market-leading Health Education Portal

STILWELL, Kan., June 1, 2011 – ATI Allied Health, an Ascend Learning company, today unveiled its newly expanded portfolio of allied health training solutions and its new learning platform, the ATI Allied Health Education Portal.

One of the nation's most innovative allied health online education and remediation companies, ATI Allied Health's mission is to deliver comprehensive online training solutions that enable educators to turn out well-trained and work-ready allied health candidates. With today's expansion, the company's portfolio now includes one of the most in-depth pharmacy technician training solutions in the nation and certification preparation products for 10 allied health fields.

These new solutions complement ATI Allied Health's existing academic-readiness screening test, the Health Occupations Basic Entrance Test (HOBET) and retention offerings to comprise a set of products that helps educators both ascertain the abilities of their students and effectively train them. This combination helps educators retain students and better ensure their success in allied health fields. Employers benefit from a well-trained workforce candidate pool.

The foundation of ATI Allied Health's newly expanded portfolio is its Health Education Portal, an online resource that uses the best of Internet-based learning technology to provide an optimum learning experience for users. The Health Education Portal engages students through rich animation, video and other interactive tools, which assist their learning and knowledge retention. The Portal offers in-depth tutorials with drill-down abilities, practice tests, tools like calculators and "flash cards," and online proctored assessments. These capabilities accommodate different learning styles, improving student comprehension and retention, and ultimately leading to better patient safety when the students secure jobs within the allied health fields.

Educators can track students' progress – following up with remediation plans when necessary – schedule assignments, generate detailed progress reports and customize the products and features to fit their needs, easily and conveniently online.

"Our focus, like that of our education clients, is on producing well-trained and qualified professionals for the allied health industry," said Dan Schoepf, president of ATI Allied Health/National Healthcareer Association. "We're very excited to launch a set of products and learning technology that furthers that goal. There's no product like this on the market today and

we’re getting strong affirmation from the clients who have had the opportunity to see and experience it.”

This new training solutions work as stand-alone training and remediation tools or in combination with the certification programs available through National Healthcareer Association (NHA), Ascend Learning’s certification arm. For more info, visit www.atialliedhealth.com.

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About ATI Allied Health

ATI Allied Health provides schools and employers comprehensive learning solutions to deliver the in-depth education, training and certification test preparation needed to help their students and employees succeed in the allied health fields. The company provides innovative and customized learning systems, personalized support, and preeminent e-learning and remediation programs. ATI Allied Health is part of Ascend Learning, a nationwide leader in technology-based educational, assessment, testing and certification solutions for healthcare and other vocational fields. ATI Allied Health partners closely with sister company National Healthcareer Association (NHA), the nation’s largest allied health certification provider, to provide a complete training and certification solution. NHA has helped nearly 270,000 individuals become certified in allied health fields.