

Provident Wins Two Awards at The M&A Atlas Awards

BOSTON, MA – **November 11, 2013** – Provident Healthcare Partners was the recipient of two awards at The M&A Atlas Awards: North America Middle Market Deal of the Year and Healthcare Services Deal of the Year.

Provident won North America Deal of the Year in the small mid-market category for its representation of Atlantis Healthcare Group Puerto Rico, Inc., a provider of dialysis services throughout Puerto Rico with a focus on the provision of dialysis treatment for End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD), in its acquisition by American Alliance Dialysis (AAD). AAD is a new California-based dialysis company, formed by some of the leading healthcare practitioners in the nation, who have over 100 years of combined experience in the areas of Dialysis and Nephrology. “Dr. Ojo has done a tremendous job building a world class clinically sound platform in Atlantis. By leveraging this platform we expect AAD to become a market leader in the US just as Atlantis has already done in Puerto Rico,” stated Michael Patton, Managing Director at Provident Healthcare Partners.

In addition, two of Provident’s transactions were finalists for Healthcare Services Deal of the Year, and the firm won this award for its representation of Willow Laboratories, one of the country’s leading clinical and forensic toxicology laboratories providing urine, hair and saliva testing services, in its acquisition by Ampersand Capital Partners. Ampersand is a Boston-based private equity firm with a focus on middle market growth equity investments in the healthcare sector. “Willow has long been a market leader within drugs-of-abuse testing. Willow’s outstanding customer service and clinical expertise will be highly valued assets as Ampersand continues to build upon its platform in the laboratory testing space,” commented Henry Cataldo, Senior Associate at Provident Healthcare Partners.

The Annual Awards Gala & Ceremony took place on Thursday October 24, 2013 at the Marriott Marquis in New York City. The Awards recognize excellence based on performance metrics such as deal novelty and structure, jurisdictions, leadership, and resourcefulness, among other criteria.

In addition to winning North America Deal of the Year and Healthcare Services Deal of the Year, Provident was named a finalist in four additional categories: North America Corporate Deal of the Year; North American Private Equity Deal of the Year; U.S.A. M&A Deal of the Year; and Top 10 North America Boutique M&A Investments Bank of the Year.

About Provident Healthcare Partners

Provident is the leading investment banking firm specializing in merger and acquisition advisory, strategic planning, and capital formation for middle market and emerging growth healthcare service companies. The firm has a vast network of high-level, senior industry contacts, a thorough knowledge of market sectors and specialties, and unsurpassed experience and insight into the M&A process. Provident uncovers value and opportunities that others often overlook to create transaction premiums for its clients. For additional information on Provident, please visit www.providenthp.com.

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