Aligned Telehealth Appoints New Chief Operating Officer — Karen Hiteshi

-Woodland Hills, Calif. (January 24, 2019) – Aligned Telehealth, one of the nation’s leading providers of telepsychiatry services, today announced the appointment of Karen Hiteshi as its new chief operating officer.

“I am pleased to welcome Karen to our management team, as she brings three decades of valued healthcare management expertise to our company and fulfills a critical role of broadening Aligned Telehealth’s delivery of comprehensive behavioral health solutions.” said Nitin Nanda, M.D., Chairman and CEO of Aligned Telehealth. “This is an exciting time in Aligned Telehealth’s ongoing deployment of new and existing enterprise telepsychiatry solutions across the western U.S., including the recent expansion of our partnership with Dignity Health Telemedicine Network (DHTN) into their three acute care facilities in Nevada.”

Prior to joining Aligned Telehealth, Hiteshi was the chief operating officer at Agilon Health, Inc., which was formed under her leadership when Clayton Dubilier & Rice (CD&R) grew through various mergers and acquisitions with Primary Provider Management Company, Inc. (PPMC) and related independent practice associations (IPAs) in 2016.

Hiteshi is also credited with forming Physician Hospital Consortium (PHC), IPAs, and management service organizations fulfilling the needs of stakeholders, physicians, and patients. She serves on the Advisory Board for AMVI CARE Health Network, a PHC which was originally formed by her.

“Karen is well-known for her ability to inspire and make a difference, while working across numerous complex operating environments that evolve at a rapid pace,” Dr. Nanda added. “Highly regarded as a strategist and change agent, known for turning companies around and attracting top quality talent, Karen establishes corporate infrastructures, builds strong organizational foundations, and drives effective acquisitions and growth platforms.”

“I am delighted to join the Aligned Telehealth team at such a crucial time in the company’s growth. As COO, I see tremendous opportunity and I look forward to advancing the company’s mission of providing the highest quality of behavioral health solutions to patients, hospitals, long-term care facilities and correctional programs, while supporting the interests of and driving value for key stakeholders;” Hiteshi said. “I am incredibly energized to join a team that will take Aligned Telehealth to its next phase of innovation.”
Hiteshi graduated from the University of Delhi and earned a bachelor’s degree in Economics Honors.

**About Aligned Telehealth**

Aligned Telehealth, Inc. is a leading national provider of telepsychiatry services to hospitals, long-term care facilities, outpatient clinics and correctional programs. The company provides customized programs for accountable care organizations (ACOs) and health plans tailored toward delivering high-quality and cost-effective behavioral health solutions that put the patient at the center of care. Through innovative and disruptive telemedicine solutions, Aligned Telehealth is helping underserved populations gain better access to mental health services, while also maintaining the highest standards in patient confidentiality. For more information about Aligned Telehealth, please visit [www.alignedth.com](http://www.alignedth.com).

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