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**NON-PROFIT PATIENT ASSISTANCE FOUNDATIONS SAVE LIVES**

**MIDLOTHIAN, VA, DECEMBER 23, 2013** – On December 18, 2013, an article about one patient assistance foundation was referenced in *The New York Times*. This article was not about Patient Services, Inc. (PSI) or the numerous other foundations that help patients in need. Unfortunately, this article did not portray the patient assistance foundation model accurately. As the founder of this non-profit model, PSI understands the importance of being transparent and compliant with our Office of Inspector General (OIG) Opinion when offering financial support through assistance programs. It is our hope that each donor working with a charitable foundation will continue to help patients in need within compliance parameters.

For 25 years, PSI has maintained that non-profit patient assistance models should display full transparency and compliance on behalf of patients and donors. Through our assistance programs, we prevent patients from suffering financial devastation due to the inability to afford out-of-pocket payments for their prescribed treatment. It is our hope that the patients currently assisted by the foundation mentioned in *The New York Times* will not experience a break in financial support and will continue to be able to afford life-saving treatment.

The dollars donated to non-profit patient assistance foundations save lives. Without charitable contributions, many patients would not survive. PSI is passionate about partnering with companies who have the desire to help others afford their therapies. We uphold the highest rating from Charity Navigator and are considered to be a “leading symbol of transparency and accountability” by GuideStar USA, Inc. Through our compliant assistance programs, patients and their families rediscover hope and health.

**About Patient Services, Inc.**

PSI ([www.patientservicesinc.org](http://www.patientservicesinc.org)) is the "ground breaking" 501(c)(3) non-profit, charitable organization of its kind. Founded in 1989 by Dana Kuhn, Ph.D., the Midlothian, Virginia, based company has helped people who live with specific chronic illnesses or conditions locate suitable health insurance coverage and access ways to satisfy expensive co-payments. PSI provides assistance with the cost of health insurance premiums associated with COBRAs, State High Risk Pools, Open enrollment, Guaranteed Issue policies, HIPAA conversion policies; and prescription co-payments associated with private insurance as well as with Medicare Parts B and D.

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