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Transamerica Retirement Solutions Announces Health Care Scholarship Opportunities for Graduate Students

HARRISON, NY – February 4, 2013 – Transamerica Retirement Solutions, a leading provider of customized retirement plans, announced today the 2013 Leaders in Health Care Scholarship program is accepting applications through March 1, 2013, from first-and second-year graduate students pursuing degrees in health care administration.

The 2013 Leaders in Health Care Scholarship program is designed to recognize minority individuals who exhibit leadership skills and can demonstrate financial need, a commitment to community service, and academic excellence. Applicants are also evaluated on the basis of a personal statement about their interest in healthcare management and short essays on issues facing the future of the healthcare system, commitment to community service, and postgraduate career plans.

Transamerica Retirement Solutions sponsors the Institute for Diversity in Health Management (IFD), an affiliate of the American Hospital Association (AHA). The Institute for Diversity in Health Management coordinates the application and candidate selection process on behalf of Transamerica for the following scholarships:

- Transamerica Retirement Solutions Leaders in Health Care Scholarship, a \$5,000 opportunity awarded to two recipients;
- Elliott C. Roberts Scholarship, a \$1,000 opportunity named in honor of one of the nation's leading public hospital administrators; and
- **Cathy L. Brock Memorial Scholarship**, a \$1,000 opportunity named in memory of the AHA's Health Research and Educational Trust's director of operations and the Institute's director of finance from its inception in 1994.

"Transamerica Retirement Solutions is proud to sponsor the Institute for Diversity in Health Management," said Brodie Wood, vice president and national practice leader, not-for-profit plans for Transamerica Retirement Solutions. "Through scholarship opportunities, we are able to help transform the tomorrows of students specializing in the healthcare industry, and the people they will serve in the years to come." For more information on 2013 Leaders in Health Care Scholarship program or to download an application, visit, <u>www.diversityconnection.org/diversityconnection/career-center/scholarships/Scholarship-Program-Assistance.jsp</u> or contact the Institute for Diversity in Health Management at 312-422-2658.

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About the Institute for Diversity in Health Management

In 1994, the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE), the National Association of Health Services Executives (NAHSE), and the American Hospital Association (AHA) responded to the lack of diversity in the health care management ranks by founding the Institute for Diversity in Health Management (IFD). The Association of Hispanic Healthcare Executives (AHHE) and, more recently, the Catholic Health Association (CHA) signed on as sponsors, and in 2002 the IFD Board of Directors voted to formally affiliate with the AHA.

The Institute for Diversity in Health Management, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, works closely with health services organizations and educators to expand leadership opportunities for ethnic minorities in health services management. The Institute's mission is to increase the number of people of color in health services administration to better reflect the increasingly diverse communities they serve and to improve opportunities for professionals already in the health care field. To accomplish this, the Institute has designed several initiatives to generate significant long-term results through educational programs, summer internships, professional development and leadership conferences. For more information, visit www.diversityconnection.org.

About Transamerica Retirement Solutions

Transamerica Retirement Solutions (Transamerica) is a leading provider of customized retirement plan solutions for small to large organizations.

Transamerica partners with financial advisors, third party administrators, and consultants to cover the entire spectrum of defined benefit and defined contribution plans, including: 401(k) and 403(b) (Traditional and Roth); 457; profit sharing; money purchase; cash balance; Taft-Hartley; multiple employer plans; nonqualified deferred compensation; and rollover and Roth IRA.

Transamerica helps more than three million retirement plan participants save and invest wisely to secure their retirement dreams. For more information about Transamerica Retirement Solutions Corporation, please visit <u>www.TRSretire.com</u>.