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Kannapolis, N.C. – The Cabarrus Health Alliance has launched an innovative, online web portal to enhance health decision-making by providing community stakeholders, families and individuals with key health information and resources in an easy-to-read format. The Network of Care for Public Health Assessment and Wellness (www.cabarrusnetworkofcare.org) provides a directory of all health services; a leading health library and encyclopedia; social networking; legislative tools; nationwide news; personal health records; and much more.

“Working with Trilogy to develop the Network of Care for Cabarrus County residents was a top priority for our Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health (REACH) grant. Through our continued work to improve the health of residents, we identified a need to improve access and knowledge of community resources. This site is a one-stop shop for residents to find the services and information they need to live a healthier life,” said Dr. William Pilkington, Cabarrus Health Alliance CEO and Health Director.

Community members and stakeholders have access to local Health Indicators, Model Practices from around the nation, and local collaboration tools. The site integrates statistics from National Data Warehouse and other sources into a collection of more than 100 local health and quality-of-life indicators specific to Cabarrus County. Further content is also available, including news; reports; and services, all specifically related to the topic of concern. The system also automatically brings a vetted library of “best practices” from around the nation. This “best practices” library describes how different communities with the same problem have worked toward positive change.

Service providers can share public-health challenges and ideas by embracing the Network of Care’s communication tools, such as the Social Network of Care and community calendars. Service providers can even build their own free Web sites in the For Providers section.

The Network of Care for Public Health Assessment and Wellness is a partnership between the National Association of City and County Health Officials and Trilogy Integrated Resources.

To increase accessibility and accommodate the Network of Care's users, the site's innovative technology provides near-universal access, regardless of literacy or income level, to Web-based services through dynamic translation software and other adaptive technologies. The site is fully ADA-compliant. The Network of Care also is available in multiple languages.

Trilogy Integrated Resources LLC of San Rafael, Calif., created, developed and maintains the Network of Care for Public Health Assessment and Wellness and all of the other Network of Care Web sites, including:

- Network of Care for Seniors & People with Disabilities
- Network of Care for Behavioral Health
- Network of Care for Kids (ages 0-5)
- Network of Care for Children & Families (ages 0-18)
- Network of Care for Developmental Disabilities
- Network of Care for Domestic Violence
- Network of Care for Prisoner Reentry
- Network of Care for Veterans, Service Members & Their Families.

Trilogy, the leading information provider in the field of social services, now serves 27 states via the Network of Care. For more information, about the Network of Care platform, please contact Trilogy at 415-458-5900 or at Bronzan@trilogyir.com. To learn how the site will be utilized to support the health and wellness of Cabarrus County residents, please contact Jenn West at 704-920-1337 or Jennifer.west@cabarrushealth.org.

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