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CAHME releases Advanced Search tool to enable students to compare and evaluate graduate programs in healthcare management in the US and Canada.

Spring House, PA, June 19, 2020 — The Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Management Education (CAHME) has released a web-based tool which enables the general public, students, employers, and university-based programs to compare and evaluate the performance and outcomes of graduate programs in healthcare management education.

The FREE tool ensures that the decision as to which program to choose is readily available for those seeking to pursue a graduate degree in healthcare management. While all programs featured in the database meet CAHME's rigorous accreditation standards, or Certification Standards for programs in Healthcare Quality and Safety, for the first time students can use CAHME's advanced search capability to search for programs by degree (MHA, MBA, MS or others), mode of delivery (residential, executive, on line or hybrid), and by region in North America. Users can review program characteristics, a summary of the last accreditation site visit report, and three years of program-specific data including program requirements, recruitment profiles, student and faculty demographics, starting salary and placement information. The tool also provides a direct link to the program website and key program contacts.

While CAHME has provided site visit and program information in the past, this tool was upgraded to include measures as defined by the Council on Higher Education Accreditation and recommendations from the US Department of Education. The source of data in the upgraded tool is the annual reports required for each CAHME Accredited or CAHME Certified program to submit.

“This tool helps to ensure that students enter programs with more knowledge and comparisons about prior student success,” said Cynthia Hahn, MPH, FACHE, CAHME's Board Chair and Senior Vice President of the American College of Healthcare Executives. “The ability to compare information readily across programs and to trend any program over three years of data increases the transparency of data available to the public.”

“This tool is consistent with CAHME’s core values of transparency and excellence. We believe that by having the data publicly available, it will also foster process improvement as programs work to improve their student outcomes,” said Dr. Anthony C. Stanowski, DHA, FACHE, CAHME president and CEO. “On behalf of CAHME, we also believe that the tool serves the public interest by advancing the quality of healthcare management education.”

For more information on the tool, go to www.cahme.org/advance.

About CAHME

For more than 50 years, the Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Management Education (CAHME) has served the public interest by advancing the quality of healthcare management education globally. CAHME works with more than 100 leading academic programs and numerous healthcare practitioners to ensure that graduates entering the healthcare field have undergone an educational process meeting rigorous, measurable standards for effectiveness. The result is a formal academic education focusing on key competencies, plus practical experiences. This enables new graduates to quickly add value to an organization and grow into future leaders. CAHME is the only organization recognized by the Council on Higher Education Accreditation to grant accreditation to individual academic programs offering a professional master’s degree in healthcare management education. For more information, visit cahme.org.

About the American College of Healthcare Executives

The American College of Healthcare Executives is an international professional society of more than 48,000 healthcare executives who lead hospitals, healthcare systems and other healthcare organizations. ACHE’s mission is to advance our members and healthcare management excellence. ACHE offers its prestigious FACHE® credential, signifying board certification in healthcare management. ACHE works toward its vision of being the preeminent professional society for leaders dedicated to improving health. For more information, visit www.ache.org.

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