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SUSAN THOMASSON ACHIEVES APPRENTICE DESIGNATION IN HEALING TOUCH

Charlotte, NC – Susan Thomasson, MEd, MT(ASCP)SH, LMBT, director of continuing education, at Carolinas College of Health Sciences completed the Healing Touch Level 4 class in August to achieve the Healing Touch Program Apprentice designation. This one-year long apprenticeship allows time for the apprentice to complete the Healing Touch Program requirements to become a Healing Touch Practitioner and to qualify to become certified.

The Healing Touch Program is an international, multi-level educational program in energy-based medicine therapy. Students learn to use a variety of hands-on techniques that facilitate energy balancing for wholeness within the individual, supporting physical, emotional, mental and spiritual wellbeing.

The Healing Touch Program is accredited by the Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation and the National Certification Board of Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork. Healing Touch Research has been conducted in a wide variety of settings and with a number of different problems and situations including:

- Cancer
- Cardio-vascular disease
- Death and dying
- Endocrine/Immune function
- Pain
- Patient satisfaction and experience
- Psychotherapy/Psychology
- Post-operative recovery
- Stress

These studies demonstrate that there is support in favor of considering Healing Touch for providing integrative care and that patients assess it highly. Healing Touch research has been supported and/or funded by hospitals, universities, colleges, professional organizations, private foundations, and the National Institutes of Health, Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine. For more information on Healing Touch Program: www.HealingTouchProgram.com

Carolinas College of Health Sciences (www.CarolinasCollege.edu), recently ranked the number one two-year college in the nation for two consecutive years, offers programs in many areas of health care. Graduates consistently exceed state and national certification testing benchmarks, demonstrating their exceptional preparedness in careers such as medical laboratory science, nursing, radiation therapy, histology, radiologic technology, and surgical technology. The College also offers individual courses in the sciences and liberal arts as well as continuing education programs in professional skills and integrative medicine. Carolinas College offers student access to the Carolinas Simulation Center, a rich

collection of high fidelity human patient simulators and procedural task trainers.

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