

HCP Honored for Sustainability Achievements by NAREIT with 2015 Healthcare Leader in the Light Award

IRVINE, Calif., Nov. 19, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- HCP (NYSE:HCP) was named the 2015 Healthcare Leader in the Light Award winner by the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts (NAREIT) at the 2015 REITWorld Annual Convention in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Each year, NAREIT honors contributions to sustainable real estate ownership and operations through its Leader in the Light Awards. Awards are presented to the leading REIT in each of eight property sectors with sustainability programs that have produced significant, measurable results.

NAREIT has presented the Leader in the Light Awards since 2005, and HCP has received an award seven of the past nine years.

"It is with great pride that I present HCP with NAREIT's 2015 Healthcare Leader in the Light Award, representing the highest achievement for all healthcare REITs and real estate companies. HCP continues to demonstrate superior and sustained sustainability practices, and we encourage others to follow their lead. I congratulate HCP for this outstanding achievement and for their leadership in this important industry initiative," said Sheldon Groner, NAREIT's Executive Vice President for Finance and Operations, who administers the Leader in the Light Awards program.

"We are honored to again be recognized by NAREIT for our sustainability achievements," said Lauralee Martin, HCP's President and Chief Executive Officer. "We share this recognition with our employees, business partners and other stakeholders, and value their dedication and continued support of our sustainability initiatives."

Tom Klaritch, HCP's Executive Vice President - Medical Office Properties and the Sustainability Committee Chair, added, "Our recognition over the past several years is a testament to our commitment to sustainability. Our efforts have improved our conservation of energy, water and other important resources, and achieved meaningful cost savings."

About HCP

HCP, Inc. is a fully integrated real estate investment trust (REIT) that invests primarily in real estate serving the healthcare industry in the United States. The Company's portfolio of assets is diversified among five distinct sectors: senior housing, post-acute/skilled nursing, life science, medical office and hospital. A publicly traded company since 1985, HCP: (i) was the first healthcare REIT selected to the S&P 500 index; (ii) has increased its dividend per share for 30 consecutive years; (iii) is the only REIT included in the S&P 500 Dividend Aristocrats index; and (iv) is recognized as a global leader in sustainability as a member of the Dow Jones and FTSE4Good sustainability indices, as well as the recipient in three of the past four years of both of the GRESB Global Healthcare Sector Leader and the NAREIT Healthcare Leader in the Light Award. For more information regarding HCP, visit the Company's website at www.hcpi.com and www.hcpi.com/sustainability.

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