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## **The Ensign Group, Inc. Increases Quarterly Dividend by 7.1% to \$0.075 Per Share**

MISSION VIEJO, Calif., Dec. 16, 2014 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- The Ensign Group, Inc. (Nasdaq:ENSG), the parent company of the Ensign™ group of skilled nursing, rehabilitative care services, home health and hospice care, assisted living and urgent care companies, today announced that its Board of Directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.075 per share of Ensign common stock, payable on or before January 31, 2015 to shareholders of record as of December 31, 2014.

"The increased dividend is a result of our improved earnings, cash flow and growth in 2014," commented Christopher Christensen, Ensign's President and Chief Executive Officer. "It also reflects our commitment to and confidence in returning shareholder value, as this is Ensign's twelfth consecutive year of increasing our dividend," he added. Ensign has been a dividend-paying company since 2002.

### ***About Ensign™***

The Ensign Group, Inc.'s independent operating subsidiaries provide a broad spectrum of skilled nursing and assisted living services, physical, occupational and speech therapies, home health and hospice services, urgent care services and other rehabilitative and healthcare services at 136 facilities, ten hospice agencies, twelve home health agencies, two home care businesses and fourteen urgent care clinics in California, Arizona, Texas, Washington, Utah, Idaho, Colorado, Nevada, Iowa, Nebraska, Oregon and Wisconsin. More information about Ensign is available at <http://www.ensigngroup.net>.

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