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The Ensign Group, Inc. Increases Quarterly Dividend by 6.3% to \$0.0425 Per Share

MISSION VIEJO, Calif., Dec. 19, 2016 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- The Ensign Group, Inc. (NASDAQ:ENSG), the parent company of the Ensign™ group of skilled nursing, rehabilitative care services, hospice care and assisted living companies, today announced that it has declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.0425 per share of Ensign common stock, payable on or before January 31, 2017, to shareholders of record as of December 31, 2016.

"We are pleased to announce our fourteenth consecutive annual dividend increase, which reflects our commitment to consistently return value to Ensign shareholders," commented Christopher Christensen, Ensign's President and Chief Executive Officer. "During a year which saw us redouble our efforts to further improve the quality of care we provide throughout our organization, this increase is evidence we are optimistic about our long-term prospects," 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 and other rehabilitative and healthcare services at 209 healthcare facilities, eighteen hospice agencies, seventeen home health agencies and three home care businesses in California, Arizona, Texas, Washington, Utah, Idaho, Colorado, Nevada, Iowa, Nebraska, Oregon, Wisconsin, Kansas and South Carolina. More information about Ensign is available at <http://www.ensigngroup.net>.

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