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# LabCorp Announces Collaboration with The Recovery Platform to Assist Physicians Treating Patients with Opioid Dependency

Combination of LabCorp's testing and The Recovery Platform's software supports compliance with medication-assisted treatment

**Burlington, NC, May 1, 2018** – LabCorp® (NYSE: LH), a leading global life sciences company, and The Recovery Platform are announcing a new collaboration to expand access to medication-assisted opioid treatment on a national basis. The Recovery Platform is a unique monitoring tool designed to help primary care physicians address and manage opioid-use disorder patient recovery in a compliant and efficient manner. Through plug-in integration with existing electronic health records, The Recovery Platform offers a powerful set of tools to assist physicians monitoring patient compliance and progress, and to help patients stay on track with their recovery.

LabCorp is the exclusive national laboratory integrated within The Recovery Platform, allowing for seamless access to LabCorp's medication-assisted treatment monitoring services including recently introduced test options to support physicians providing buprenorphine (Suboxone®) treatment. LabCorp test orders can be made through The Recovery Platform, and the test results are incorporated back into The Recovery Platform.

"We are excited to work with LabCorp as the premier diagnostic testing laboratory. LabCorp provides services to a significant number of physicians who may benefit from The Recovery Platform, which will help expand access to opioid treatment on a national basis," said Reynold Yordy, chief technology officer and founding member of The Recovery Platform.

Laurie Peregoy, compliance director, The Recovery Platform, said "LabCorp's extensive infrastructure, including its nearly 2,000 patient service centers providing specimen collection, commitment to high-quality, high-value lab testing and focus on compliance, made it the obvious choice for The Recovery Platform." Peregoy further commented that "LabCorp's recent introduction of cost-effective, dedicated test options specific to buprenorphine treatment, like Suboxone, will benefit our providers, patients, and payers."

"As part of LabCorp's mission to improve health and improve lives, our work with The Recovery Platform has the potential to positively impact millions of opioid-dependent patients and their families," said Gary Huff, chief executive officer of LabCorp Diagnostics. "Through this collaboration, LabCorp is

integrated into The Recovery Platform, demonstrating how technology can improve the delivery of care by making it easier for Suboxone providers to access lab services for their opioid-use disorder patients to remain compliant with their treatment."

Scientific research and clinical practice have shown the value of continued care to help patients achieve and maintain recovery. It includes key features to help physicians adhere to Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) requirements to continue prescribing Suboxone as part of medication-assisted treatment for opioid dependency.

The Recovery Platform's lab testing feature provides digital patient notification for random testing, with a convenient dashboard to allow the care team to quickly assess the status of testing and results. LabCorp's integration within The Recovery Platform supports patient trend analysis, and also highlights results that indicate treatment non-compliance, alerting the care team to the need for prompt intervention.

## **Opioid-Use Disorder and Medication-Assisted Treatment Facts**

Medication-assisted treatment combines prescribed medications such as buprenorphine or methadone with comprehensive therapy and support to help address issues related to opioid dependence, including withdrawal, cravings and relapse prevention. Evidenced-based treatment approaches such as medication-assisted treatment are often needed to successfully overcome addiction and maintain long-term recovery. With the U.S. in the middle of an unprecedented opioid crisis, survey data<sup>2</sup> indicates that as many as 2.4 million Americans have an opioid-use disorder (including recurrent heroin use). Although new laws aim to reduce the quantity of opioids prescribed, there is a significant need to empower more physicians with the ability to provide medication-assisted treatment in order to improve outcomes for opioid-dependent patients as indicated by the recent presidential opioid commission.

## **About LabCorp**

LabCorp (NYSE: LH), an S&P 500 company, is a leading global life sciences company that is deeply integrated in guiding patient care, providing comprehensive clinical laboratory and end-to-end drug development services. With a mission to improve health and improve lives, LabCorp delivers world-class diagnostic solutions, brings innovative medicines to patients faster and uses technology to improve the delivery of care. LabCorp reported net revenues of more than \$10 billion for 2017. To learn more about LabCorp, visit <a href="www.labcorp.com">www.labcorp.com</a>, and to learn more about Covance Drug Development, visit <a href="www.covance.com">www.covance.com</a>.

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#### **About The Recovery Platform**

The Recovery Platform (TRP) is a substance use specific platform that facilitates and guides physician and patient compliance when practicing Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT). It integrates easily with the physician's electronic health record (EHR) and leverages its concierge-like patient functionality to expand access and privacy for opioid treatment to more patients. The platform allows providers to conduct automated searches and analysis of the PMP, view and follow SAMHSA-compliant workflows, efficiently chart patient improvement, order tests and obtain results from the lab, and view a reporting dashboard of patient activity. Patients can self-schedule to their providers and counselors with TRP's platform embedded telemedicine functionality which increases access and privacy, while reducing noshow appointments. To learn more about TRP, visit www.therecoveryplatform.com

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1.</sup> National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), Principles of Drug Addiction Treatment: A Research-Based Guide (Third Edition). *National Institute on Drug Abuse*. Last Updated January 2018. Retrieved from https://www.drugabuse.gov.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2.</sup> Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Key Substance Use and Mental Health Indicators in the United States: Results from the 2016 National Survey on Drug Use and Health. *Rockville MD: Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration*. HHS Publication No. SMA 17-5044, NSDUH Series H-52. Retrieved from <a href="https://www.samhsa.gov/data">https://www.samhsa.gov/data</a>.