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CORINNE H. RIEDER RECEIVES THE 2014 DAVID H. SOLOMON MEMORIAL PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD FROM THE AMERICAN GERIATRICS SOCIETY

Award recognizes her "outstanding efforts to improve the lives of older Americans"

New York, NY (May 13, 2014) - Corinne H. Rieder, EdD, will receive the American Geriatrics Society's (AGS) David H. Solomon Memorial Public Service Award for her body of work dedicated to improving the lives and health of older Americans. Dr. Rieder is the Executive Director and Treasurer of the John A. Hartford Foundation of New York. She will receive the award on Thursday, May 15, at AGS' Annual Scientific Meeting in Orlando, Florida.

Dr. Rieder has been instrumental in making grants and initiating programs that put geriatrics expertise to work in all health care settings by:

- Advancing practice change and innovation;
- Supporting team-based care through interdisciplinary education of all health care providers; and
- Developing and disseminating new evidence-based models that deliver better, more cost-effective health care.

"I am honored to receive such a remarkable award from the American Geriatrics Society, in remembrance of my friend Dr. David Solomon," Dr. Rieder said. "David was a passionate leader, incredibly dedicated to improving older adults' health, an important pioneer in the field of geriatrics, and someone who cared deeply about caring for people. These are values that I have been proud to advance through my work with the John A. Hartford Foundation."

Dr. Rieder became the Executive Director and Treasurer of the John A. Hartford Foundation in 1998. Prior to that, she was Corporate Secretary and Director of Federal Relations at Columbia University, and before joining Columbia, she was Executive Vice President and Dean of Bank Street College of Education.

Dr. Rieder has held various government positions at the Office of Management and Budget and the former Department of Health, Education and Welfare. She also served as director of education planning for the New York City Planning Department and a Peace Corps volunteer in the Dominican Republic. She is currently a board member of the American Federation for Aging Research, the Visiting Nurse Service of New York, Expeditionary Learning Schools, and New York University's Steinhardt School of Culture, Education, and Human Development. She earned her AB from the University of California, Los Angeles, and her EdM and her EdD from Harvard University.

About the John A. Hartford Foundation

The John A. Hartford Foundation is a private philanthropy working to improve the health of older Americans. After three decades of championing research and education in geriatric medicine, nursing, and social work, today the Foundation pursues opportunities to put geriatrics expertise to work in all health care settings. This includes advancing practice change and innovation, supporting team-based care through interdisciplinary education of all health care providers, supporting policies and regulations that promote better care, and developing and disseminating new evidence-based models that deliver better, more cost-effective health care. The Foundation was established by John A. Hartford. Mr. Hartford and his brother, George L. Hartford, both former chief executives of the Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, left the bulk of their estates to the Foundation upon their deaths in the 1950's. Additional information about the Foundation and its programs is available at www.jhartfound.org.

About the David H. Solomon (1923-2013) Memorial Public Service Award AGS created the David H. Solomon Memorial Public Service Award in 2002 to honor David Solomon, MD, AGSF, for his commitment to community service and to the advancement of our knowledge of caring for older adults. He was the founding Director of the Center on Aging at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA. Dr. Solomon will forever be known for his excellence in research, teaching, patient care, and administration. Dr. Solomon teaches everyone who enters his life about the value of personal interactions and the importance of caring for people.

About the American Geriatrics Society

Founded in 1942, the American Geriatrics Society (AGS) is a non-profit organization of over 6,200 healthcare professionals whose shared mission is to improve the health, independence and quality of life of older people. Our vision for the future is that all older adults will have access to quality healthcare that meets their unique needs. To achieve this, the AGS focuses on: educating all healthcare professionals about the special healthcare needs of older adults; advancing aging research; enhancing clinical care for older people; raising public awareness of seniors' healthcare needs; and advocating for public policy that ensures older adults have access to high quality, appropriate, cost-effective care. The AGS is a pivotal force in shaping practices, policies and perspectives in the field of older adult health and wellness. Learn more at www.americangeriatrics.org.

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