

Patient Services, Inc. Honors Members of Congress and Marcia Boyle of the Immune Deficiency Foundation

(Midlothian, VA, May 3, 2013)----Patient Services, Inc. (PSI) honored several members of Congress and patient advocate, Marcia Boyle, of the Immune Deficiency Foundation at a reception in Washington, DC, on Wednesday, April 24, 2013. This important event highlighted the access and affordability challenges facing patients with rare, chronic conditions.

PSI is an independent, national 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that assists patients with expensive chronic illnesses and conditions in accessing their treatments and therapies. PSI raises private donations and utilizes those resources to subsidize health insurance premiums; pharmacy and treatment co-payments, and expenses associated with Medicare Part D. Currently assisting over 15,000 patients across the country in over 27 different disease states, PSI continually evolves its assistance models and practices to meet the changing needs of patients and program partners.

Through the PSI Patient Coalition, PSI offers health policy expertise, advocacy services, and robust educational materials through our website and social media platforms. The Patient Coalition was proud to honor Congressman Bill Cassidy, M.D. (R-LA), Congresswoman Doris Matsui (D-CA), Congressman David McKinley (R-WV), and Congresswoman Lois Capps (D-CA) with awards celebrating their commitment and leadership to health policy issues that have helped patients.

"These members of Congress have dedicated their time and expertise to helping patients with rare, chronic conditions gain better access to the treatments and therapies they need. We applaud their leadership and are proud to honor them this evening," stated PSI's President, Dana Kuhn, Ph.D.

Marcia Boyle from the Immune Deficiency Foundation was presented with the inaugural PSI President's Award for her tireless work as a patient advocate. Congresswoman Doris Matsui presented Ms. Boyle with her award, which honors a leader in the patient advocacy community who embodies the strength, wisdom, and vision of PSI's Founder and President, Dana Kuhn, Ph.D.

About Patient Services, Inc.

PSI (<u>www.patientservicesinc.org</u>) is the "ground breaking" 501(c)(3) non-profit, charitable organization of its kind. Founded in 1989 by Dana Kuhn, Ph.D., the Midlothian, Virginia, based company has helped people who live with specific chronic illnesses or conditions locate suitable health insurance coverage and access ways to satisfy expensive co-payments. PSI **provides assistance** with the cost of health insurance **premiums** associated with COBRAs, State High Risk Pools, Open enrollment, Guaranteed Issue policies, HIPAA conversion policies; and **prescriptions co-payments** associated with private insurance as well as with Medicare Parts B and D.

About Immune Deficiency Foundation

The Immune Deficiency Foundation (IDF), founded in 1980, is the national patient organization dedicated to improving the diagnosis, treatment and quality of life of persons with primary immunodeficiency diseases through advocacy, education and research. To learn more about IDF programs, services and educational materials, visit our website at www.primaryimmune.org.

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