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Kenneth Comeiro, Jr. Joins Element Care in Greater Lowell As Coordinator of Advanced Practice Services

LOWELL, Mass. – **October 11, 2016** – Element Care, a non-profit health care organization, announced that Kenneth J. Comeiro, Jr., MS, BSN, BS, ANP has joined the clinical team as coordinator of advanced practice services in its Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE). Mr. Comeiro has 16 years of experience as a nurse practitioner (NP) working in all aspects of cardiology subspecialties, geriatrics, end of life care and nursing home care – and teaches for the Graduate Nurse Practitioner program at Simmons College.

In his role as Coordinator of Advanced Practice Services, Mr. Comeiro will be responsible for:

- overseeing and supporting Element Care's nurse practitioners in its PACE centers in the
 Merrimack Valley and North Shore to ensure excellence in care delivery
- developing educational opportunities that promote healthy aging for Element Care's PACE participants and their families
- serving as a clinician in Element Care's Lowell PACE Center to support the medical needs of the community.

"With our growth to eight PACE Centers, there was a need to create this new role to ensure that our NPs will continue to excel at applying clinical best practices that help our participants live better and longer lives," said Elisabeth Broderick, Medical Director at Element Care. "Given his extensive experience as a nurse practitioner and teaching in the field, Kenneth will be valuable a resource as an NP team leader, care provider, and community educator on healthy aging."

Mr. Comeiro has worked in a wide array of nurse practitioner positions in cardiac and geriatric care including at the University of Massachusetts Memorial Medical Center, Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Vanguard Medical Associates, Emerson Hospital, and Lahey Clinic at

Arlington Community Practice. He also works with the University of Massachusetts Lowell preceptor program and is a member of the legislative committee of the Massachusetts Coalition of Nurse Practitioners.

"Having spent my entire career working with older adults, I'm thrilled to be joining PACE at Element Care and look forward to working with the other NPs and the interdisciplinary care teams where everyone's opinion matters," said Mr. Comeiro. "It's a privilege to able to part of the team delivering highly coordinated care and supporting Element Care's mission to help people live as long and as well as they can in their homes and community."

Mr. Comeiro lives in Billerica with his wife, Megan who is also an NP, and with his children, Olivia and Tim.

For more information about Element Care, please call 877-803-5564 or visit www.elementcare.org.

About Element Care

Element Care, founded in 1995, is a non-profit healthcare organization with a simple mission: to help people live safely and comfortably in their homes and their communities for as long as they can, keeping their stays in hospitals and nursing facilities as minimal as possible. Element Care provides complete health care to eligible people through PACE (Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly) throughout the Massachusetts North Shore, the Merrimack Valley and the northeast region of Middlesex County. For more information, visit www.elementcare.org.



