

**For Immediate Release**

**Contact: AMY GLASS**

**281-731-9139**

[amy@glassgroupcreative.com](mailto:amy@glassgroupcreative.com)

**HEALTHCARE ASSOCIATION VETERAN STEVE LIEBER  
JOINS NEXT WAVE CONNECT**

March 14, 2018 (Huntsville, TX) – Healthcare association veteran, H. Stephen Lieber, has joined association-focused solutions and technology company, [Next Wave Connect](#), as Executive Advisor. In this capacity, Lieber will draw on his deep experience in association leadership to provide operational insight and to advise on solutions development and deployment for the growing organization.

"Our customized solutions, collaborative approach, adoption of technology and analytics make us a unique partner for Associations," said Calli Dretke, CEO of Next Wave Connect. "Steve's experience and capabilities will bring fresh insights to build upon Next Wave Connect's strong growth, and will further evolve our solutions and platform to meet the needs of a variety of Association partners."

Lieber brings more than 35 years of experience primarily in healthcare association management. From 2000 through late-2017, Lieber served as President and CEO of the world-renowned Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS) and its related organizations. Lieber was consistently recognized as one of the Top 100 most influential people in US healthcare during his tenure at HIMSS.

Prior to HIMSS, Lieber's Association leadership includes stints as Executive Director of the Emergency Nurses Association, Vice President, Division of Personal Membership Groups for the American Hospital Association and Vice President of Operations for the Illinois Hospital Association.

Lieber is a member of the American Society of Association Executives and Association Forum of Chicagoland, and has been awarded honorary life memberships at the American Hospital Association, American Society of Healthcare Risk Management and HIMSS.

"The team's commitment to their partners, and the ability to scale – underpinned by an ambitious outlook on the future of technology's role in member engagement – make this role feel like a natural next step in my career," said Lieber. "I look forward to working with Calli and the Next Wave team to accelerate the already impressive growth for this innovative company."

**About Next Wave Connect**

Next Wave Connect empowers Associations to expand and engage audiences with content-powered solutions. Our services and solutions are customized to ensure success based on an organization's size, goals and other unique factors. Next Wave Connect enables Associations to engage members with strategy-driven content in a customized online, branded community ecosystem. To learn more visit [www.NextWaveConnect.com](http://www.NextWaveConnect.com).

###