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# **Achieve Life Sciences to Announce Second Quarter Financial Results and Host Conference Call and Webcast on August 11, 2022**

SEATTLE and VANCOUVER, British Columbia, July 28, 2022 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Achieve Life Sciences, Inc. (NASDAQ: ACHV), a late-stage clinical pharmaceutical company committed to the global development and commercialization of cytisinicline for smoking cessation and nicotine addiction, today announced it will report its second quarter financial results and provide an update on the cytisinicline development program on Thursday, August 11, 2022, at 4:30 PM EDT.

To access the webcast, please use the following link [2Q22 Earnings Webcast](#). Alternatively, you may access the live conference call by dialing (888) 645-4404 (Domestic) or (404) 267-0371 (International) and referencing conference ID 13731865. A webcast replay will be available approximately three hours after the call and will be archived on the website for 90 days.

## **About Achieve and Cytisinicline**

Achieve's focus is to address the global smoking health and nicotine addiction epidemic through the development and commercialization of cytisinicline. Tobacco use is currently the leading cause of preventable death that is responsible for more than eight million deaths worldwide and nearly half a million deaths in the United States annually.<sup>1,2</sup> More than 87% of lung cancer deaths, 61% of all pulmonary disease deaths, and 32% of all deaths from coronary heart disease are attributable to smoking and exposure to secondhand smoke.<sup>2</sup>

In addition, there are nearly 11 million adults in the United States who use e-cigarettes, also known as vaping.<sup>3</sup> While nicotine e-cigarettes are thought to be less harmful than combustible cigarettes, they remain addictive and can deliver harmful chemicals which can cause lung injury or cardiovascular disease.<sup>4</sup> In 2021, e-cigarettes were the most commonly used tobacco product reported by 1.72 million high school students.<sup>5</sup> Research shows

adolescents who have used e-cigarettes are seven times more likely to become smokers one year later compared to those who have never vaped.<sup>6</sup>

Cytisinicline is a plant-based alkaloid with a high binding affinity to the nicotinic acetylcholine receptor. It is believed to aid in treating nicotine addiction for smoking and e-cigarette cessation by interacting with nicotine receptors in the brain, reducing the severity of withdrawal symptoms, and reducing the reward and satisfaction associated with nicotine products. Cytisinicline is an investigational product candidate being developed for treatment of nicotine addiction and has not been approved by the Food and Drug Administration for any indication in the United States. For more information on cytisinicline and Achieve visit [www.achievelifesciences.com](http://www.achievelifesciences.com).

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