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Carolina Biotech Group Receives Funding from Benefitfocus Fund *Organization receives grant to promote biotech entrepreneurship in SC*

Greenville, SC | September 20, 2016 – The Carolina Biotech Group, a state-wide 501(c)(3) young professional organization, recently received a \$5,000 grant to promote biotech and healthcare training and catalyze entrepreneurial activity throughout South Carolina.

The funding will allow the organization to:

- Benchmark program-specific curriculum;
- Recruit experienced professionals to provide industry-relevant perspectives;
- Sustain operations to cultivate a statewide high tech entrepreneurial community.

“We are thrilled to receive this funding from the Benefitfocus Fund,” said Christian Graves, President of the Carolina Biotech Group. “As a new organization, having this type of support from an established group like the Coastal Community Foundation is tremendous. We look forward to what the future has in store for our organization.”

For more information about the Carolina Biotech Group, visit www.carolinabiotechgroup.com.

ABOUT CAROLINA BIOTECH GROUP

The Carolina Biotech Group (CBG) was founded in 2015 and serves to provide infrastructure, professional development, resources and support for the growing biotechnology and healthcare innovation ecosystem in South Carolina. CBG is committed to cultivating the intellectual talent pipeline and connecting our best and brightest scientists, engineers, physicians, attorneys and entrepreneurs with industry, governmental, institutional and innovation-focused stakeholders critical to the experiential training of tomorrow’s high technology leaders. For more information visit: <http://www.carolinabiotechgroup.com/what-we-do>

ABOUT THE BENEFITFOCUS FUND OF THE COASTAL COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

The Benefitfocus Fund is dedicated to creating thriving, healthy communities where people can lead better lives. The fund seeks applications from nonprofit organizations that share the company’s and its associates’ vision of creating thriving communities, which include health and wellness, basic human needs, education, environmental stewardship and the arts. The Benefitfocus Fund is housed at Coastal Community Foundation, a public grant making organization dedicated to serving coastal South Carolina. The Foundation works with people and organizations who want to make a lasting difference through philanthropy, managing 800+ funds and more than \$215 million in assets.