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Home Health Care Management Non-Profits Receive Home Care Accreditation from The Joint Commission

Gold Seal of Approval® represents high quality of care

Wyomissing, Pa., November 16, 2017 – Two non-profit organizations of Home Health Care Management (HHCM), Berks Visiting Nurse Association (VNA) and Visiting Nurse Association of Pottstown and Vicinity (Pottstown VNA), have earned The Joint Commission’s Gold Seal of Approval® for Home Care Accreditation by demonstrating continuous compliance with The Joint Commission’s performance standards.

“This accreditation is a testament to the unsurpassed level of medical skills we’ve built so we can better serve communities in Berks, Montgomery, and Chester County,” said Constance Morrison, president and CEO, HHCM. “I couldn’t be prouder that all three of Home Health Care Management’s non-profits make up some of the few home care organizations that are JC accredited in Central PA.”

The Joint Commission’s Gold Seal of Approval® is a symbol of quality that reflects the non-profits’ commitment to providing safe and effective care. To receive the accreditation, Berks VNA and Pottstown VNA underwent rigorous onsite surveys, where compliance with home care standards reflecting key organization areas was evaluated. It focused on their provision of care, treatment and services, emergency management, human resources, individual rights and responsibilities, and leadership.

Berks VNA and Pottstown VNA join Advantage Home Care, another of HHCM’s non-profit organizations, and more than 6,000 home care programs with current accreditation. The new accreditation will last for three years.

“Now that all of Home Health Care Management is accredited, we want to set a new bar for home health care and hospice care in our region. I’m pleased to lead by example,” said Morrison.

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About The Joint Commission

Founded in 1951, The Joint Commission seeks to continuously improve health care for the public, in collaboration with other stakeholders, by evaluating health care organizations and inspiring them to excel in providing safe and effective care of the highest quality and value. The Joint Commission accredits and certifies more than 21,000 health care organizations and programs in the United States. An independent, nonprofit organization, The Joint Commission is the nation’s oldest and largest



standards-setting and accrediting body in health care. Learn more about The Joint Commission at www.jointcommission.org.

About Home Health Care Management, Inc.

Home Health Care Management, Inc. (HHCM), a Pennsylvania-registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit, is the parent and management organization for Berks Visiting Nurse Association (Berks VNA), Visiting Nurse Association of Pottstown and Vicinity (Pottstown VNA), and Advantage Home Care. The mission of HHCM and its subsidiaries is to provide care for people in their home of choice and in a healthy community.

Collectively, they serve seven counties in southeastern Pennsylvania. Pottstown and Berks VNAs provide advanced nursing and therapies (physical, occupational and speech), medical social work, dietician services and hospice. Their specialty programs include Congestive Heart Failure Disease Management, Diabetes Disease Management, COPD Management, Wound Ostomy and Continence Care, IV therapies, Telehealth/Telemonitoring, Psychiatric/Mental Health Home Care, Palliative Care and Hospice. Advantage Home Care offers private duty assistance for the elderly and individuals suffering from an illness, in need of long-term care, or in-home help including new mothers. For more information, please visit www.everythinghomecare.org or call 1.855.THE.VNAs.