

The Palace at Home Awarded Certification from The Joint Commission

The Palace at Home, the Medicare-certified home health agency of The Palace Group, has achieved the Gold Seal of Approval™ for professional health care services certification from The Joint Commission (JAHCO).

The Joint Commission's accreditation process concentrates on operational systems critical to the safety and quality of patient care. Among the 2011 standards-based performance areas for home care organizations are emergency management, environment of care, equipment management, human resources, infection prevention, information management, leadership, life safety, medication management and national patient safety goals.

"Joint Commission certification can serve as an assurance that The Palace at Home demonstrates a commitment to providing a continuing improving quality services," said Michele Sacco, MS executive director Health Care Staffing Services Certification, The Joint Commission.

Established in 1988, The Joint Commission's Home Care Accreditation program accredits more than 5,600 organizations and offers an independent comprehensive evaluation of a staffing firm's abilities to provide competent services.

"We are extremely pleased to achieve The Joint Commission's Gold Seal of Approval," said Julio Chacon, vice president of home health for The Palace. "This validation from the on-site assessment by a Joint Commission surveyor is an acknowledgement that we are continuously improving the quality services we provide."

Furthermore, for the sixth year in a row, The Palace at Home also was recognized as one of Top 100 Home Health Care Agencies in the U.S. by HomeCare Elite, which compiles the most successful Medicare-certified home health care providers.

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