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Pediatric Home Service receives accreditation from The Joint Commission *Award marks 16 consecutive years of accreditation*

(St. Paul, Minn.) – [Pediatric Home Service](#) (PHS) has earned its sixth consecutive accreditation and Gold Seal of Approval™ from [The Joint Commission](#), a national leader in setting the highest standards for health care quality and safety.

A pediatric homecare company providing specialized health care to technology-supported children in their homes, PHS was first accredited in 1994 and is now in its 16th year of demonstrating compliance with JC national standards for homecare organizations. To earn and maintain the commission's Gold Seal of Approval, PHS undergoes an unannounced on-site survey by a team from The Joint Commission every three years.

“This is a comprehensive process that evaluates our organization against a set of stringent national standards,” says PHS CEO Susan Wingert. “Continually achieving this distinction is the result of an ongoing commitment from all our people throughout the organization to provide quality services on a day-to-day basis. Everyone here plays a valuable role in meeting these standards. They take pride in their work and in PHS. And they appreciate the educational aspect of the survey, which helps them to do what they already do well—provide pediatric homecare services—even better.”

The Joint Commission is an independent, not-for profit organization and its accreditation is recognized worldwide as a symbol of quality that reflects an organization's commitment to meeting performance standards.

To view the 2009 PHS Joint Commission Accreditation Quality Report and accreditation history, [click here](#). Health care consumers may also check accreditation status for other providers by going to [The Joint Commission's website](#).

About The Joint Commission

The Joint Commission evaluates and accredits more than 16,000 health care organizations and programs in the United States. Since 1951, The Joint Commission has maintained state-of-the-art standards that focus on improving the quality and safety of care provided by health care organizations. It is the nation's predominant standards-setting and accrediting body in health care.

About PHS

Pediatric Home Service, based in St. Paul Minn., is an independent pediatric homecare company committed to taking care of the child by providing specialized health care services to technology-supported children in their homes. In business since 1990, PHS has partnered with health care professionals and family caregivers to deliver care to children with special medical needs. For more information about PHS, visit www.pediatrichomeservice.com or call 651-789-3259.

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This release contains “pediatric homecare,” “pediatric homecare services,” “specialized care for children in their homes,” “children’s specialized health care services,” “homecare organizations,” and similar expressions. The statements in this article discuss health care accreditation standards for quality and safety as established by The Joint Commission, a predominant accrediting body in health care. Pediatric Home Service is in its sixteenth year of compliance with Joint Commission standards for homecare organizations.