



CITRUS MEMORIAL

Health System

502 W. Highland Blvd., Inverness FL 34452

Contact: Katie Myers
352.726.1551 x1559

For Release: January 8, 2009

CITRUS MEMORIAL HOME HEALTH AGENCY RANKED AMONG TOP 25 PERCENT OF HOME HEALTH PROVIDERS IN THE COUNTRY

Citrus Memorial Home Health Agency today announced that it has been named to the 2008 HomeCare Elite, a compilation of the most successful Medicare-certified home health care providers in the United States. This annual review identifies the top 25 percent of agencies, ranked by an analysis of performance measures in quality outcomes, quality improvement and financial performance.

“The 2008 HomeCare Elite winners exemplify a commitment to providing their patients with optimum care while performing at the highest level,” said Nancy Buller, Senior Director of Marketing Communications at OCS, Inc. “We congratulate Citrus Memorial Home Health Agency on being one of the top home care agencies in the country.”

Citrus Memorial Home Health Agency Administrator, Vickie LaMarche, credits her staff and hospital administration with the company’s ability to rank as one of the HomeCare Elite. She said, “Our ability to provide a quality continuum of care is a direct result of skilled staff and support from hospital administration.”

“DecisionHealth would like to congratulate the top HomeCare Elite agencies that achieved excellent clinical and financial outcomes by providing quality care to their patients,” adds Marci Heydt, Executive Editor of DecisionHealth’s Home Health Line. The 2008 HomeCare Elite is the only performance recognition of its kind in the home health industry. The 2008 HomeCare Elite is brought to the industry by OCS, Inc., the leading provider of healthcare informatics, and DecisionHealth, publisher of home care’s most respected independent newsletter *Home Health Line*. The entire list of the 2008 HomeCare Elite agencies can be viewed by visiting the OCS web site at ocsys.com/HCE.

About Citrus Memorial Home Health Agency

Citrus Memorial’s Home Health Agency provides an alternative to hospitalization or nursing home placement and excels in helping patients stay in their homes. Our wide range of treatments include IV antibiotic therapy, enteral and parenteral feeding, diabetic teaching, wound care, cardiac and pulmonary teaching, rehabilitation, disease management, anodyne therapy and ultrasounds. And our dedicated nurses educate patients on how to be independent and self-sufficient in cases of emergency.

Citrus Memorial Home Health Agency is Medicare certified and accredited by the Joint Commission. Serving Citrus, Sumter, Marion and Levy counties, the agency's services are conveniently located to accommodate every patient. For more information call 344.6425 or 800.749.6467

About OCS, Inc.

OCS is the market leader in healthcare information solutions. By collecting, evaluating and interpreting healthcare information, we empower leaders with data-driven insight that helps optimize mission-critical decision making. OCS combines the richness of the nation's most comprehensive post-acute data warehouse with cutting-edge analysis tools, consulting services and custom technology solutions. Our information-based solutions facilitate providers, payors, industry analysts, consultants, Federal and state governments, medical products and pharmaceutical companies with advancing their missions using objective, independent information that is not available from other sources. Learn more at ocsys.com or call 888.325.3396.

About DecisionHealth

DecisionHealth serves the clinical, business and regulatory needs of health care practitioners, providers and their administrative staff nationwide, including home health agencies. For more than 20 years, DecisionHealth has served as the industry's leading source for news, analysis and instructional guidance with brand names such as Home Health Line, Home Care Outcomes, the Complete Home Health ICD-9-CM Diagnosis Coding Manual, Private Duty Insider and Diagnosis Coding Pro for Home Health. Our unique blend of award-winning information specialists, in-house journalists and unmatched access to health care executives, providers and their staffs results in news, analysis and solutions that have captured the attention of nearly 100,000 healthcare readers. For more information, please visit DecisionHealth.com or call 877.602.3835.

###