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The Accreditation Commission for Health Care (ACHC) is pleased to announce CMS's approval of ACHC for "deeming authority" for hospice agencies seeking to participate in the Medicare and Medicaid programs. CMS published this notification in the November 27, 2009 Federal Registry (copy attached).

ACHC currently has deeming and accreditation authority from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for Medicare Home Health and Durable Medical Equipment. Our standards also cover other lines of business, including Private duty Nursing, Private Duty Aids, Infusion Pharmacy and Sleep Labs.

With deeming authority for our hospice program ACHC will continue to work with your state agency to uphold state and federal requirements and help ensure excellent quality care.

If you would like a copy of our hospice clinical and support services interpretive guide please email me your request I will gladly forward it to you.

Thank you, if I can provide you with any additional information in regard to any of our programs please contact me at 910-785-1214 extension 249.

Sincerely,



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