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VNA Private Care Among First to Receive Home Care Accreditation

Home Care Alliance of Massachusetts Sets Quality and Business Standards



Wellesley, MA – VNA Private Care, a private-pay home care agency based in Wellesley, MA and affiliate of the Visiting Nurse Association of Boston is among the first in the state to earn Accreditation from the Home Care Alliance of Massachusetts. The alliance, which represents 170 home health and elder care agencies across Massachusetts, has created an accreditation protocol to promote quality services, ethical business standards, and superior employment practices in an industry that lacks meaningful licensure in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts even while it grows in popularity.

“We are proud to be in the initial group of home care agencies earning this accreditation demonstrating VNA Private Care’s commitment to quality,” said Rey Spadoni, President and CEO of the VNA of Boston and Affiliates. “Peace of mind for our clients is paramount and this accreditation from an independent expert will help promote the advantages of keeping people independent in their homes and communities with the superior care we provide.”

The Home Care Alliance launched this Accreditation Program for Private Pay agencies (agencies that are not paid by Medicare or Medicaid), in July. Agencies seeking accreditation are required to submit documentation to show that they meet standards established by the Alliance.

The standards were developed over several months in consultation with 14 agencies throughout the Commonwealth. Training requirements, administrative protocols, and business practices are among the categories that the Alliance reviews for accreditation.

“We wanted to provide leadership for an area that is becoming more and more important to the health care delivery system in Massachusetts,” said Patricia Kelleher, Executive Director of the Home Care Alliance of Massachusetts. “These standards highlight our agencies’ best practices, and will help guide members of the public as they choose who will take care of their loved ones in their homes.”

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About the VNA of Boston

Celebrating our 125th year, the Visiting Nurse Association of Boston & Affiliates provides home healthcare through the VNA of Boston, end-of-life support through VNA Hospice Care and private pay services through VNA Private Care. We coordinate superior care across the continuum – for all ages, healthcare needs, and income levels – so that our patients and their families throughout Greater Boston have peace of mind and, most importantly, can live independently at home. For more information, visit www.vnaprivatecare.com

About the Home Care Alliance:

With a mission to unite people and organizations to advance community health through care and services in the home, the Home Care Alliance of Massachusetts is a non-profit trade association and advocacy group providing representation, education, communication, advocacy and – ultimately – a voice for the state’s home health industry. Founded in 1969, the Alliance has grown to represent more than 170 home care and home health agencies across the state. For more information, visit www.thinkhomecare.org.