

Eastern Maine HomeCare

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River Valley HomeCare Ranked Among the Top 25 Percent of Home Health Providers in the Country

Central Maine— River Valley HomeCare (RVHC) in Fairfield 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., a Seattle-based firm. “We congratulate River Valley HomeCare on being one of the top home care agencies in the country.”

Linda Woolley, RVHC Regional Director, credits staff with the company’s ability to rank among the HomeCare Elite. She said, “Our staff members are committed to delivering the best home care services as effectively and efficiently as possible. Despite our large geographic size and rural population, our clinicians and administrative staff work hard every day to ensure that our neighbors and friends in Central Maine receive excellent care in their home. This recognition validates we’re doing just that.”

In 2008, River Valley HomeCare staff drove 169,091 miles to provide 7,989 visits to 627 patients and their families. Home care services are paid for by public and private sources, or directly by patients and their families. Generous donations from individuals, businesses and towns allow for continued, high quality service. A part of the Eastern Maine HomeCare Family, and a member of EMHS, River Valley HomeCare works to ensure the highest quality home care is available to those who need it in its Central Maine service area reaching from Dexter to Augusta and from Unity to Madison. For more information about its home care services, please visit River Valley HomeCare at www.rivervalleyhomecare.org or 24 Lawrence Avenue in Fairfield or call 453-2499.

“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 www.ocsys.com/HCE.

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