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## **PROFESSIONAL HEALTHCARE RESOURCES EXPANDS TO BALTIMORE**

Annandale, VA- October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007 **Professional Healthcare Resources, Inc.**, one of the largest privately held Medicare certified home healthcare agencies in the Washington, DC metro and Southern Virginia areas is pleased to announce the acquisition of St. Agnes Hospital's Homecare and Hospice division in Baltimore, MD.

This will enable Professional Healthcare to continue its mission "*To Provide High Quality Home Healthcare to More People*" by penetrating a new market, as well as adding a hospice service line. The acquisition will allow Professional Healthcare to cover most of Maryland. Professional Healthcare brings thirteen years of experience in homecare to the market and as such is a name that is trusted and well thought of in our current markets.

Eileen DeCesare, President and Founder of Professional Healthcare Resources said "I am so delighted that we at Professional Healthcare Resources can add a much needed service to the array of home healthcare services that we currently provide. I am also very pleased that we are working closely with an organization that parallels our philosophy of caring and service to others."

Robin Dowell, Branch Administrator of the Baltimore Branch and ex-administrator of St. Agnes Homecare and Hospice said "This is an exciting time for all of us and a positive move. Professional Healthcare Resources is an established Home Health provider with an excellent reputation. We are pleased that, as a strong group of clinicians and support staff that

worked hard to provide quality, compassionate home care and hospice care to patients and families in the Baltimore metropolitan area for the past 33 years with St. Agnes, we will be together providing that care as Professional Healthcare Resources of Baltimore."

Professional Healthcare has worked diligently to create a model and process that offers unmatched quality of care. The agency is committed to improving quality-of-life by delivering a wide range of services in the home: skilled nursing services, therapy/rehabilitation services, personal care (Activities of Daily Living), medical social work services and now the new addition of hospice services.

Educating the community is important to Professional Healthcare. In addition to providing patients and caregivers with information, the agency prides itself on creating relationships with discharge planners, social workers and case managers. These are the people often in the best position to help explain what home healthcare options are available.

Founded in 1994 by Eileen, DeCesare, RN, MS, CNA, LNC Professional Healthcare has become a leader in the Northern Virginia/DC/Maryland markets. This requires hiring the best staff so that the agency could maintain quality of care and staff cases quickly. Professional Healthcare now has eight branches, four of which are in the DC Metro area; the other four are in Richmond, VA; Norfolk, VA; Roanoke, VA and our newest branch in Baltimore, MD



**About Professional Healthcare Resources, Inc.**

Professional Healthcare is the largest independent home care firm in the Washington, DC metropolitan area. Founded in 1994, we provide home health care, hospice, and private duty personal care services to over 1,500 patients each day. The company is headquartered in Annandale, Virginia, and operates branches in Annandale, Norfolk, Richmond, and Roanoke, Virginia; Washington, DC; and Baltimore, Bethesda, and Lanham, Maryland. Our mission is to bring quality home care to more people. You can obtain more information by visiting our website at [www.phri.com](http://www.phri.com) or calling 703-752-8700.