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AAA Home Health Named as a Top Agency of the 2012 HomeCare Elite

New Iberia, LA, October 29, 2012 — AAA Home Health today announced that it has been named a Top Agency of the 2012 HomeCare Elite™, a compilation of the top-performing home health agencies in the United States. Now in its seventh year, the HomeCare Elite identifies the top 25 percent of Medicare-certified agencies and further highlights the top 100 and top 500 agencies overall. Winners are ranked by an analysis of publicly available performance measures in quality outcomes, process measure implementation, patient experience (Home Health CAHPS), quality improvement, and financial performance.

“The 2012 HomeCare Elite winners demonstrate a commitment to providing patient-centered care and serving as leaders in the home health community. Their success offers data-driven proof of being well-managed and high quality care providers to hospitals, managed care organizations, ACOs, and other potential referral partners across the healthcare continuum,” said Susan L. Henricks, President and COO of National Research Corporation, the parent company of OCS HomeCare. “Again, this year, we updated our methodology to reflect the rapidly evolving quality-focused healthcare landscape and national value-based purchasing trends. We congratulate **AAA Home Health** on being recognized as a top home care agency.”

AAA Home Health, Rob Radics, CEO, credits the staff’s focus on positive clinical outcomes and patient satisfaction with the agency’s ability to achieve recognition as one of the HomeCare Elite. **"At AAA Home Health our philosophy is to provide high quality care and to keep the patient’s needs at the forefront. I’d like to thank National Research Corporation and OCS HomeCare for recognizing the effort we put into ensuring our patients receive the best care possible", said Mr. Radics.**

“HomeCare Elite recognition continues to gain importance given the increased regulatory mandates and the threat of shrinking reimbursement revenue. Home health agencies that have earned recognition among the HomeCare Elite demonstrated that they not only can adapt to an evolving

marketplace but continue to excel in clinical, patient experience, quality improvement, and financial outcomes,” said Marci Heydt, Product Manager for the post-acute care business group of DecisionHealth.

The HomeCare Elite is the only performance recognition of its kind in the home health profession. The 2012 HomeCare Elite is co-sponsored by National Research Corporation (also known as OCS HomeCare), the leading provider of cross-continuum healthcare metrics and analytics, and DecisionHealth, the publisher of the industry’s most respected independent newsletter *Home Health Line*. The data used for this analysis were compiled from publicly available information. The entire list of 2012 HomeCare Elite agencies can be downloaded by visiting the National Research Corporation website at www.nationalresearch.com.

About AAA Home Health, Inc

Established in 1991, AAA Home Health and Hospice is Acadiana’s provider of choice for home health and hospice services. AAA offers a full range of services to meet the needs of home health and hospice patients. Our mission is to assist our patients in being as comfortable and independent as possible within familiar surroundings.

About National Research Corporation and OCS HomeCare

OCS HomeCare is a product of National Research Corporation. For more than 30 years, National Corporation (NASDAQ: NRCI) has been at the forefront of patient-centered care. Today the company’s focus on empowering customer-centric healthcare across the continuum extends patient-centered care to incorporate families, communities, employees, senior housing residents, and other stakeholders.

Currently recognized by *Modern Healthcare* as the largest patient satisfaction measurement firm in the U.S., National Research is dedicated to representing the true voice of patients and other healthcare stakeholders. This integration of cross-continuum metrics and analytics uncovers insights for effective performance improvement, quality measurement, care transitions, and many other factors that impact population health management.

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