

PRESS RELEASE

Accreditation honors for Lantz Medical, Exemplary Provider™

Spring House, Pennsylvania Lantz Medical, a specialty provider of care serving all of the United States, has successfully fulfilled the requirements for receiving the Exemplary Provider™ Certificate of Accreditation from The Compliance Team, Inc.; a **CMS approved** healthcare accrediting body based in Spring House, Pennsylvania.

After learning of his company's exemplary performance during the Compliance Team's recent validation visit, Ted Brown, CEO, was most pleased. *"We consider this a great accomplishment,"* he exclaimed. *"Everyone associated with our family of companies can be justifiably proud of their performance in helping us prepare for this honor,"* he announced recently at the company's headquarters.

Sandra Canally, RN, the founder and president of the Compliance Team, observed that Lantz Medical is the most recent successful participant in the DME industry's most comprehensive and innovative accreditation program. "Ted and all of his staff have done a terrific job. They are a tremendous example of a safe, honest and caring **Home Medical Equipment Provider** that is most deserving of this recognition," declared Ms. Canally.

The site met the Compliance Team's accreditation requirements during recent On-site Evaluations. In addition to putting in place fraud and abuse awareness safeguards, Lantz Medical has implemented patient care improvement plans as part of a rigorous **continuously measured accreditation process**. The program features annual validation visits and requires scoring of 90% or better to achieve accredited status. It also requires that Lantz Medical perform *Patient Outcomes Tracking* that is reviewed quarterly by the Compliance Team.

"We chose Exemplary Provider™ Accreditation because the Compliance Team's validation process was simply the best and most sensible way for us to meet the accreditation requirements of the Medicare Modernization Act. At the same time, we see their accreditation as a quality recognition branding opportunity that highlights our on-going commitment to maintaining the highest levels of patient care excellence," Jerry McKeivitt, President, concluded.

The Compliance Team introduced its service and product-line specific accreditation program for DMEPOS (durable medical equipment/ prosthetics/ orthotics/ supplies) in 1998. Presently, companies that have earned the rights to display its Exemplary Provider™ Accreditation Certificate and Seal are operating in all 50 states and Puerto Rico. In addition to DMEPOS, the Compliance Team offers programs for Pharmacy; Elder Care; Ocularists; Home Health Agency; Independent and Group Physician Practices; Out Patient Care; and Small/Rural Hospital Services. Additional info can be found on their web site: www.exemplaryprovider.com .

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