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### PR&S ACHIEVES JOINT COMMISSION RE-CERTIFICATION

**Latrobe, PA (July 13, 2010)** –PR&S Pharmacy Services has once again achieved the Gold Seal of Approval™ for health care staffing services from The Joint Commission. This marks the second consecutive certification cycle in which PR&S demonstrated compliance with national standards, addressing how our firm determines the qualifications and competency of our staff, how we place our staff, and how we monitor our staff’s performance.

“The clients that you staff can look to this certification as an assurance that PR&S Pharmacy Services demonstrates a commitment to providing, and continuously improving, quality services,” says Michele Sacco, M.S., Executive Director, Health Care Staffing Services Certification, Joint Commission.

The Joint Commission’s certification program, launched in October 2004, offers an independent, comprehensive evaluation of a staffing firm's abilities to provide competent staffing services. “Re-certification affirms PR&S Pharmacy Services’ dedication to providing pharmacists that are qualified to provide safe, high-quality care to patients,” says Harry A. Lattanzio, R.Ph., President, PR&S Pharmacy Services.

Founded in 1951, The Joint Commission seeks to continuously improve the safety and quality of care provided to the public through the provision of health care accreditation and related services that support performance improvement in health care organizations. The Joint Commission evaluates and accredits more than 15,000 health care organizations and programs in the United States, including more than 8,000 hospitals and home care organizations, and more than 6,800 other health care organizations that provide long term care, assisted living, behavioral health care, laboratory and ambulatory care services. The Joint Commission also accredits health plans, integrated delivery networks, and other managed care entities. In addition, the Joint Commission provides certification of disease-specific care programs, primary stroke centers, and health care staffing services. An independent, not-for-profit organization, the Joint Commission is the nation's oldest and largest standards-setting and accrediting body in health care. Learn more about the Joint Commission at [www.jointcommission.org](http://www.jointcommission.org).

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