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OPTIMAE HOME HEALTH CENTRAL IOWA DIVISION RECEIVES THREE- YEAR CHAP ACCREDITATION

NOVEMBER 28, 2017 (DES MOINES, IA) — Community Health Accreditation Partner, Inc. recently announced that Optimae Home Health Services has been accredited for a three-year period for its Central Iowa division.

The latest accreditation is the second consecutive three-year accreditation Optimae has received from the national accrediting body, CHAP. The accreditation process entailed an in-depth self-study and three day site visit that included field visits with nursing, home health and occupational therapy staff, as well as the review of charts, policies and procedures.

“The re-accreditation of our home health services in Central Iowa is a reflection of Optimae’s commitment to providing quality services that make a difference in our customers’ lives and allow them to live as independently as possible,” said William Dodds, President and Chief Executive Officer of Optimae LifeServices, the parent organization of Optimae Home Health. “It’s also a testament to the hard work and dedication of our staff, without whom we would not be successful.”

The accreditation demonstrates Optimae meets the industry’s highest nationally recognized standards. CHAP’s rigorous evaluation focuses on the structure and function, quality of services and products, human and financial resources and long-term viability.

Optimae Home Health Services in Central Iowa offers skilled nursing and home health aides, as well as physical, occupational and speech therapy, which allow our customers to continue living in their home while receiving medical care. It serves customers in Polk, Jasper, Story, Dallas, Marion, Boone, Madison and Warren counties.

CHAP is an independent, not-for-profit accrediting body for community-based health care organizations. Created in 1965, CHAP was the first to recognize the need and value for accreditation in community-

based care. It is the oldest national, community-based accrediting body with more than 9,000 agencies currently accredited nationwide. Through “deeming authority” granted by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, CHAP has the regulatory authority to survey agencies providing home health, hospice and home medical equipment services, to determine if they meet the Medicare Conditions of Participation and CMS Quality Standards.

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About Optimae LifeServices

Optimae LifeServices, Inc. provides healthcare and human services for individuals with disabilities and mental illness in 36 Southeastern and Central Iowa counties. For more than three decades, we have equipped our customers with supports and services that encourage choice, empowerment and community integration. Our programs include community-based, behavioral health, home health and residential care services. We advocate for the rights and needs of more than 5,300 Iowans each year, providing the quality of care we would want for our own family.