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WebMD Health Services Receives NCQA Disease Management Accreditation

Provides Solutions for Health Plans seeking NCQA Compliance for Member Connection standards

NEW YORK, March 4, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- WebMD Health Services announced it recently received Patient-Oriented Disease Management Accreditation from the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) for its disease management programs for asthma, coronary artery disease, heart failure, COPD and diabetes.

"NCQA's Disease Management Accreditation program is thorough and rigorous. It's designed to highlight only those programs that truly improve chronic care," said NCQA President Margaret E. O'Kane.

"The NCQA Accreditation is the industry gold standard and reflects WebMD Health Services commitment to deliver quality and value programs to our clients," said Dr. Tim Moore, WebMD Health Services Chief Medical Officer. "Last July NCQA granted WebMD Health Services the Wellness & Health Promotion Accreditation (WHP)."

On July 1, 2015, new NCQA Health Plan requirements become effective. The new requirements will focus on NCQA Member Connection Standards for Health Plans, (MEM Standards) and requires health plans to be compliant for all product lines, including Commercial, Medicare, Medicaid and Marketplace (Exchange) products.

WebMD Health Services tools are accredited for MEM 1 (Health Risk Appraisals), MEM 2 (Self-Management Tools), and MEM 8 (Healthy Living), so a health plan that partners with WebMD Health Services can receive NCQA auto-credit for those standards.

- Health Appraisal (MEM 1)
- Self-Management Tools (MEM 2)
- Support for Healthy Living (MEM 8)

Health Plan managers interested in learning about the benefits of working with an NCQA WHP-Accredited or Disease Management vendor can contact WebMD Health Services: whsinfo@webmd.net or go to www.WebMDHealthServices.com.

About NCQA

NCQA is a private, non-profit organization dedicated to improving health care quality. NCQA accredits and certifies a wide range of health care organizations. It also recognizes clinicians and practices in key areas of performance. NCQA is committed to providing health care quality information for consumers, purchasers, health care providers and researchers.

About WebMD Health Services

WebMD Health Services platform enables employers and health plans to provide their employees and plan participants with access to personalized health and benefit information and decision-support tools that help them to make more informed benefit, treatment and provider decisions and motivate them to make healthier lifestyle choices. The Company also provides telephonic, online and onsite health coaching and targeted condition management programs for use by its private portals clients' employees and plan participants to help them achieve their wellness goals.

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