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### **CBHNP Earns Full Managed Behavioral Health Organization Accreditation from NCQA** *Accreditation covers CBHNP's programs for Pennsylvania Medicaid managed care*

**Harrisburg, Pa.** —Community Behavioral HealthCare Network of Pennsylvania (CBHNP), a member of the AmeriHealth Mercy Family of Companies, announced today that it has again earned a full Managed Behavioral Health Organization (MBHO) accreditation from the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA).

The accreditation covers CBHNP's programs for HealthChoices, Pennsylvania's Medicaid managed care program, and follows the accreditations it received in 2006 and 2009. The current accreditation is valid through October 2, 2015.

"Receiving another full accreditation reflects success in achieving our vision of providing best-in-class behavioral health care management services to adults, children and families," said Sharon Duncan, C.P.A., executive director of CBHNP. "By providing these services to HealthChoices members we are helping to build a healthier Pennsylvania."

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.

NCQA MBHO Accreditation evaluates how well a health plan manages all parts of its delivery system — physicians, hospitals, other providers and administrative services —in order to continuously improve health care for its members. NCQA reviews include rigorous on-site and off-site evaluations conducted by a team of physicians and managed care experts. A national oversight committee of physicians and behavioral health providers analyzes the team's findings and assigns an accreditation level based on the MBHO's performance compared to NCQA standards.

"CBHNP's MBHO Accreditation is proof that it's an organization which works hard to coordinate care, provide access and good customer support for members," said Margaret E. O'Kane, NCQA President, "It's a sign that CBHNP is focused on improving the behavioral health of its members."

#### **About CBHNP**

Community Behavioral HealthCare Network of Pennsylvania (CBHNP), a member of the AmeriHealth Mercy Family of Companies, is an NCQA-accredited behavioral health managed care organization that provides quality, accessible mental health solutions. Outside of Pennsylvania, CBHNP operates as PerformCare. Since 1995, CBHNP/PerformCare has been offering care management strategies designed to meet the needs of adults, children and families and to offer ease of service to participating providers. For more information, visit [www.cbhnp.org](http://www.cbhnp.org).

**About AmeriHealth Mercy Family of Companies**

AmeriHealth Mercy Family of Companies (AMFC) is one of the nation's leaders in health care solutions for the underserved. AMFC operates in 12 states and serves more than 4.5 million Medicaid, Medicare and CHIP members through its Medicaid managed care products, pharmaceutical benefit management services, behavioral health services and other administrative services. Headquartered in Philadelphia, AMFC is a mission-driven company with 30 years of experience serving low-income and chronically ill populations. For more information, visit [www.amerhealthmercy.com](http://www.amerhealthmercy.com).

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