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Pharmacy Testing Certification Program for Covid-19 and Beyond

July 2020, Spring House, Pennsylvania – The Compliance Team, Inc., a Medicare-approved national healthcare accreditation organization, recently launched its newest Exemplary Provider® Quality Award program, **Pharmacy Testing Certification**. The program is the first of its kind in the healthcare industry and is derived from The Compliance Team’s long-standing pharmacy quality standards for accreditation.

The Pharmacy Testing Certification program provides pharmacies with the education and tools necessary to achieve certification for COVID-19 and other CLIA Waived tests. It offers pharmacies new revenue opportunities via Point of Care testing and Collect and Transfer testing. The certification assures customers, patients, payers, and employees that the pharmacy’s patient safety and testing quality has been validated by a nationally recognized third party.

To participate in the new program, (unless only doing collect and transfer), the pharmacy must obtain a CLIA (Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments) Waiver and have completed a CMS Part B application. Included in the certification standards are: Point of Care testing, collection/sending of tests, equipment management, supply (PPE) management, patient assessment, and facility assessment.

Sandra C. Canally, founder and CEO of The Compliance Team is the standards architect of the new program. She emphasizes that “this is a focused validation of a pharmacy’s ability to perform testing as well as assurances to maintain integrity of specimen collection.”

The Pharmacy Testing certification is a stand-alone certification program, so a pharmacy need not be accredited by The Compliance Team for any other service. Once a pharmacy has completed the program, it will receive a Pharmacy Testing Certification Award. The certification is valid for 2 years.

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About The Compliance Team

Formed in 1994, The Compliance Team, Inc. is the first and only nationally recognized, privately held, woman-owned healthcare accreditation organization granted deeming authority by CMS Part B DMEPOS and Part A Rural Health Clinics. It is the only accreditation organization that offers Exemplary Provider® accredited status. The Compliance Team’s operations-based accreditation program for pharmacy services includes Community plus DMEPOS, Long-Term Care, Infusion, Specialty Drug, Compounding, TelePharmacy and Patient-Centered Pharmacy Home™ (PCPH). Each year, The Compliance Team accredits thousands of provider organizations based in all 50 states, Puerto Rico, and the US Virgin Islands. For more information, visit www.thecomplianceteam.org or call 215-654-9110.