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## Home Health Aides to Become Certified Dementia Practitioners

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Preferred Home Health Care & Nursing Services, with headquarters in Eatontown, N.J., held a private two-day Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia Care seminar at its offices for their employees. The eight-hour seminar outlined diagnosis, prognosis, treatment, communication, depression, repetitive and aggressive behavior, paranoia, personal care, pain, nutrition, activities, and end of life.

The seminar was offered in addition to the mandatory 12 hours of training required to maintain the CHHA (Certified Home Health Aide) certification. Fourteen employees who completed the seminar are expected to receive a two-year Certified Dementia Practitioner certification through the National Council of Certified Dementia Practitioners.

Jonathan Herman, COO of Preferred, said, "We have taken an initiative to train our employees in an effort to exceed requirements on dementia education for them. As the number of people living with dementia increases, we at Preferred feel

that it is imperative to make sure that the clinical team, especially the front-line caregivers, the CHHAs are prepared to face the challenges of caring for people with dementia.”

Ellisa Lee BS, RN, CDP\*, CADDCT\*\*, the founder and training director of Prestige Medical Solutions, North Plainfield, N.J., conducted the training. Prestige Medical Solutions is a state-approved private vocational school that offers various training courses, including such corporate training as the Alzheimer’s Disease and Dementia Care seminar.

For more information, contact Ellisa Lee at 908-941-5946.

\*CDP: Certified Dementia Practitioner; CADDCT: Certified Alzheimer’s Disease and Dementia Care Trainer

About Preferred Home Health Care & Nursing Services:

Since 1987, Preferred Home Health Care & Nursing Services (PHHC), 45 Main Street, Eatontown, N.J., has provided a wide range of medical and non-medical home health care services from pediatric to geriatric care throughout New Jersey and Pennsylvania. PHHC is accredited by CHAP (Community Health Accreditation Program), an accrediting organization for the home health care industry.

Preferred works collaboratively with physicians, hospitals, nursing homes and facilities to ensure a smooth transition to one’s home. In-house services include skilled nursing care for infants, children, adults, and seniors; personal care services, including bathing, grooming, dressing, feeding, etc.; private duty nursing services; and at-home physical therapy, among others. All of the care can be provided in-house and is coordinated by registered nurses, with clinical supervision available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

New Jersey locations include corporate headquarters, Main Street, Eatontown; South Orange; Robbinsville; Brick; Galloway; Hackensack; North Brunswick; Wyckoff Road, Eatontown; and Mt. Laurel. Pennsylvania locations include Bala Cynwyd, Allentown, and Bensalem. Visit Preferred at PreferredCares.com for more information.

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