

deKastrozza Joins Preferred as Respiratory Therapist

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EATONTOWN, N.J., January 26, 2012— Preferred Home Health Care & Nursing Services, a leader in providing home care to residents of New Jersey and Pennsylvania, has expanded its capacity to serve its clients with the recent hiring of Margaret "Peggy" deKastrozza as the Agency's Respiratory Therapist and Educator.

"Peggy's career has been dedicated to providing respiratory care to adult and pediatric ventilator-dependent clients, and she will be a truly vital addition to the Preferred team," remarked Ann La Patta, Preferred Director of Nursing. "Her hire allows us to have a full-time respiratory therapist on staff available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, which expands our ability to more effectively serve our clients and their families, as well as mentor our clinical staff."

deKastrozza has nearly 20 years of experience specializing in the assistance of ventilator-dependent patients and their families who are transitioning from hospital settings to home environments. A graduate of California College of Health Science with a degree in respiratory therapy, she is licensed in four states and brings a wealth of knowledge to Preferred, including experience in using 12 different ventilators and nearly 20 different pieces of respiratory equipment.

"When medical home care is needed, having the proper medical personnel on staff makes all the difference," said Preferred President Joel Markel. "We are committed to providing our clients with the highest quality care, and Peggy's addition to our staff further enhances our ability to fulfill this commitment."

Since 1987, Preferred Home Health Care & Nursing Services (PHHC) has been proudly serving families throughout New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Regarded as one of the best home health care agencies in the region, Preferred continues to foster long-standing relationships with all local hospitals and nursing homes in the region, focusing on the intimate understanding of home care complexities. Preferred Home Health Care & Nursing Services is accredited by CHAP, the leading accrediting organization for the home health care industry, which has publicly certified Preferred Home Health Care as voluntarily achieving the highest standards of excellence for home-based health care. For more information, visit www.preferredcares.com.

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