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# Press Release

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## **THE MEDICAL TEAM's Houma, LA Agency Ranked Among Top 500 Home Health Care Providers for 2011**

**Houma, LA (October 24, 2011) - THE MEDICAL TEAM, INC.** today announced that its Houma, Louisiana agency has been named to the 2011 HomeCare Elite, ranking as one of the Top 500 home health care providers in the nation. Now in its sixth year, the HomeCare Elite identifies the Top 25% of agencies and further highlights the Top 100 and Top 500 agencies overall. The company's Brownsville, TX, San Antonio, TX and Reston, VA agencies were also identified in this ranking as among the Top 25% of home health care agencies in the country in quality of care, quality improvement, and financial performance.

The 2011 HomeCare Elite is the only performance recognition of its kind in the home health industry and is brought to the industry by OCS HomeCare and DecisionHealth. The data used for this analysis were compiled from publicly available information. Over 9,000 agencies were included in the 2011 analysis.

"It is increasingly challenging to manage the cost/quality equation. The 2011 HomeCare Elite winners demonstrate a commitment to providing patients with the best possible care while managing their business efficiently and effectively," said Amanda Twiss, CEO of OCS and My Innerview. "This year, we updated our methodology to reflect industry focus and, based on this rigorous analysis, we congratulate THE MEDICAL TEAM on being one of the top home care agencies in the country."

"THE MEDICAL TEAM is dedicated to providing high-quality, cost-effective health care services that are responsive to the needs of our patients and clients. We are proud to again receive recognition as one of the nation's top home care agencies," says Leslie Pembroke, President, THE MEDICAL TEAM, INC. The company has been recognized in each of the last six years as a HomeCare Elite top performer.

“The HomeCare Elite designation continues to gain significance given the regulatory changes and challenges that agencies face. Agencies that have earned recognition among the HomeCare Elite demonstrated that they not only can adapt to an evolving marketplace but continue to excel in both clinical and financial outcomes,” said Marci Heydt, product manager for the post-acute care business group, DecisionHealth.

**About THE MEDICAL TEAM, INC.** - THE MEDICAL TEAM, INC. is a diversified healthcare services company in business since 1978. Together with its affiliates, Med Team, Inc. and THE MEDICAL TEAM Personal Care Services, THE MEDICAL TEAM, INC. operates licensed, Medicare-certified home health agencies in Louisiana, Michigan, Virginia and Texas. The company has served Louisiana since 1984, providing certified home health services, specialty clinical care programs, private duty and personal care services and health screenings and wellness program from its Houma, LA and Metairie, LA offices. Learn more at [www.medicalteam.com](http://www.medicalteam.com) or call 985.872.6666.

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