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Premiere Home Health Named to Top 500 of the 2018 ABILITY HomeCare Elite

St. Charles, MO, October 25, 2018 – Premiere Home Health today announced that it has been named to the Top 500 of the 2018 HomeCare Elite, a recognition of the top-performing home health agencies in the United States. For 13 years, HomeCare Elite has annually identified the top 25 percent of agencies and highlighted the top 100 and top 500 agencies overall.

The ranking is developed by ABILITY[®] Network, a leading information technology company helping providers and payers simplify the administrative and clinical complexities of healthcare. It is sponsored by DecisionHealth, publisher of *Home Health Line* and the *Complete Home Health ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Coding Manual.*

"I would like to congratulate the team at Premiere Home Health and thank them for their commitment to providing consistently high-quality care," said Christine Lang, senior director for ABILITY Network. "During a time of increasing demands on home health professionals' time and attention, these caregivers and leaders have demonstrated that they have prioritized their patients and created a solid foundation for serving their communities and partnering with other healthcare providers."

Ann Laiben, CEO, Premeire Home Health credits a dedicated quality improvement team and an overall excellent clinical and support staff with the agency's capability to achieve recognition as one of the HomeCare Elite. "Every person on our staff is constantly striving to provide top care to each patient, proving whole patient care to ensure needs are met within todays complex health care systems" said Ann.

"Congratulations to Premiere Home Health from all of the staff at DecisionHealth," said Marci Geipe, product manager at DecisionHealth. "Your leadership and staff have placed a premium on the patient care your agency provides, as showcased by your quality outcome scores. The entire community benefits



from the compassion that your staff shows toward your patients, leading to cost savings for the entire healthcare system."

HomeCare Elite agencies are determined by an analysis of performance measures in quality outcomes, best practices implementation, patient experience (HHCAHPS), quality improvement and consistency, and financial health. In order to be considered, an agency must be Medicare-certified and have data for at least three outcomes in Home Health Compare. Out of 8,898 agencies considered, 2,223 are recognized on the 2018 HomeCare Elite winners list overall. The entire list of 2018 HomeCare Elite agencies can be downloaded by visiting the ABILITY Network website at <u>abilitynetwork.com/hce</u>.

About Premier Home Health

Premiere is a local, veteran and female owned home health company. Since 2008, premiere has provided skilled, professional home health to thousands of patients in St. Louis, St. Charles, and surrounding counties.

About ABILITY[®] Network

ABILITY Network, an <u>Inovalon</u> Company (NASDAQ:INOV), is a leading cloud-based, SaaS information technology company helping providers and payers simplify the administrative and clinical complexities of healthcare through innovative applications and data analytics. The combination of myABILITY and the Inovalon ONE[™] Platform creates a vertically integrated cloud-based platform empowering the achievement of real-time value-based care from payers, manufacturers and diagnostics, all the way to the patient's point of care. For more information, visit <u>www.abilitynetwork.com</u> or write to <u>resources@abilitynetwork.com</u>. For more information about HomeCare Elite, call 888.572.4009, write to <u>homecareelite@abilitynetwork.com</u> or visit <u>www.abilitynetwork.com/hce</u>.

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In March 2017, Simplify Compliance LLC announced the merger of DecisionHealth, LLC with existing brands HCPro and HealthLeaders Media, to form the H3.Group! H3.Group, with its three pillars of thought leadership, expertise, and application, provides critical insight, analysis, tools and training to healthcare organizations nationwide empowering today's healthcare professionals with solution-focused information and intelligence to guide their organizations' efforts in achieving compliance, financial performance, leadership, and organizational excellence. The creation of the H3.Group comes as healthcare faces an unprecedented period of transition that brings uncertainty and opportunity. As policies and regulations are revisited and payment models changed, the need for clarity, actionable guidance and expert training for all provider settings and functional areas will increase dramatically.

About DecisionHealth

For over 30 years, DecisionHealth, an H3.Group brand, has served as the industry's leading source for news, analysis and instructional guidance with brand names such as Home Health Line and Part B News. Our unique blend of award-winning on-staff journalists and unmatched access to health care executives, providers and their administrative staffs results in business management advice and operationally focused editorial that has captured the attention of nearly 100,000 home health care professionals and specialty physician practices.