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Unison Health Plan of Ohio Accredited by NCQA

The National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) has awarded Unison Health Plan of Ohio accreditation as a New Health Plan for its Medicaid program through December 2011. The plan serves more than 100,000 members.

NCQA accreditation is based on how well a health plan ensures that its members get high-quality care. Accreditation evaluates not only the health plan's core systems and processes, but also the results that the plan actually achieves on key dimensions of care and service.

"This kind of success is the direct result of our true dedication to quality," said Ohio Health Plan President Scott Bowers.

The NCQA review process is rigorous, consisting of both on- and off-site evaluations conducted by teams of physicians and managed care experts. A national oversight committee analyzes the team's findings and assigns an accreditation level based on the plan's compliance with NCQA's standards and its performance relative to other plans.

Bowers added, "We are pleased to have NCQA's independent recognition of the quality care and service we offer Ohio's Medicaid beneficiaries and the value we bring to the State and its taxpayers. The NCQA accreditation is one indication of our success in facilitating quality care for our members."

The Unison Health Plans were acquired by AmeriChoice in May 2008.

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