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Easter Seals Greater Hartford Rehabilitation Center awarded CARF accreditation for unique stroke rehabilitation program

WINDSOR — January 28, 2009 — CARF announced that **Easter Seals Greater Hartford Rehabilitation Center** has been accredited for its outpatient Stroke Rehabilitation Program, making it the only such program in Connecticut to receive this prestigious level of recognition.

The announcement comes as part of an overall notice of CARF accreditation for Easter Seals' programs, also granting accreditation for a period of three years for Easter Seals' Outpatient Brain Injury and Comprehensive Medical Rehabilitation Programs, Vocational Rehabilitation Programs, and School-to-Work Transition Program. In addition to the unique accreditation of its outpatient Stroke Rehabilitation Program, the accreditation marks recognition at a number of levels for this Easter Seals organization:

- The only organization in Hartford County to achieve CARF accreditation of both medical and vocational rehabilitative services.
- One of only two organizations in the entire state of Connecticut to achieve CARF accreditation of its outpatient brain injury services.
- The recipient of a record 12 consecutive Three-Year Accreditations from the leading accrediting body for rehabilitation service providers.

This Three-Year Accreditation outcome represents the highest level of accreditation that can be awarded to an organization and shows Easter Seals' superior performance as measured against the high standards established by CARF. An organization receiving a Three-Year Accreditation outcome has put itself through a rigorous peer review process and has demonstrated to a team of surveyors during an on-site visit that its programs and services are of the highest quality, measurable, and accountable.

Easter Seals Greater Hartford Rehabilitation Center, Inc. is a nonprofit organization with offices and primary service sites at 100 Deerfield Road, Windsor, CT and 20-28 Sargeant Street, Hartford, CT. The organization has been providing Comprehensive Outpatient Medical and Vocational Rehabilitation in the Greater Hartford community since 1948.

CARF is an independent, not-for-profit accrediting body whose mission is to promote the quality, value and optimal outcomes of services through an accreditation process that centers on enhancing the lives of the persons served. Founded as the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities and now known as CARF, the accrediting body establishes consumer-focused standards to help organizations measure and improve the quality of their programs and services.

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