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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **GATEWAY HEALTHCARE AWARDED ACCREDITATION RENEWAL FROM THE JOINT COMMISSION**

PAWTUCKET, RI – July 26, 2007 -- Gateway Healthcare, a Rhode Island-based behavioral healthcare organization, has once again earned accreditation from The Joint Commission by demonstrating compliance with the national standards for health care quality and safety.

“This renewal of our accreditation is a testament to the commitment we have to providing quality services and programming to our clients. We are proud of this achievement and view obtaining accreditation as another step toward achieving excellence in behavioral healthcare,” says Richard Leclerc, President of Gateway Healthcare.

“Gateway Healthcare’s accreditation achievement is a demonstration of the organization’s leadership and staff commitment to excellence,” says Mary Cesare-Murphy, Ph.D., executive director, Behavioral Health Care Accreditation Program, The Joint Commission. “Joint Commission accreditation requires organization-wide dedication to providing safe, client-focused care, treatment and services.”

The Joint Commission conducts unannounced, on-site evaluations to over 15,000 health care organizations and programs in the United States. Accreditation is granted for a three-year term. Gateway Healthcare’s recent accreditation is for 2006 through 2009.

*About Gateway Healthcare, Inc.:*

*Gateway Healthcare, Inc., a non-profit behavioral healthcare organization, provides a broad spectrum of preventative and treatment programs for children, adolescents, families, and adults throughout Rhode Island suffering from severe mental illness, substance abuse problems, and emotional and behavioral disorders. Gateway Healthcare, Inc. is headquartered in Pawtucket, Rhode Island. Gateway serves over 14,000 children, adults and families each year. For more information, please visit [www.gatewayhealth.org](http://www.gatewayhealth.org).*

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