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HQSI's URAC Accreditation Demonstrates Commitment to Quality

East Brunswick, N.J. – JUNE 11, 2015 – Healthcare Quality Strategies, Inc. (HQSI) announced today that it once again received full Comprehensive Independent Review Organization (IRO) accreditation from URAC, a leader in quality standards for the healthcare industry. HQSI received its first full IRO URAC accreditation in 2008. The URAC accreditation process demonstrates a commitment to quality services and serves as a framework to improve business processes through benchmarking organizations against nationally recognized standards.

HQSI's Comprehensive IRO serves payers and providers from hospitals, healthcare systems, third-party administrators, and pharmacy benefit managers, providing superior independent medical review and appeal services. Using a diverse group of actively practicing board certified physicians, HQSI pairs the correct clinical specialist with each case, ensuring a fair, objective and timely result.

HQSI also uses state-of-the-art technology to manage case workflows. Clients can access an intuitive, user-friendly client portal to submit cases, upload medical records and receive final determination reports safely and securely.

"HQSI should be commended for meeting strict quality standards," said URAC President and CEO Kylanne Green. "It is critically important for healthcare organizations to make a commitment to quality and accountability. URAC accreditation is a demonstration of that commitment."

HQSI Medical Director Alvin Fried, MD, FACP, agrees. "HQSI is honored to receive full IRO accreditation from URAC," he said. "Achieving full re-accreditation demonstrates our commitment to fair, objective and timely review services. To achieve URAC accreditation, HQSI adhered to strict standards for reviewer qualifications, security, policies and procedures, ethics and confidentiality. Our clients know we strive to make the right decision, the first time, every time."

URAC accreditation is a nationally recognized symbol of healthcare excellence, respected throughout the industry and by the federal and state governments as an assurance that accredited organizations meet rigorous standards of quality and operational integrity that emphasize consumer protection and patient engagement.

About HQSI

HQSI is a nonprofit consulting firm dedicated to accelerating healthcare quality improvement. As a quality improvement consultant, HQSI designs, implements and evaluates data-driven quality improvement projects on behalf of government, public and private clients. As a URAC accredited Independent Review Organization (IRO), HQSI performs objective IRO medical review services for insurers and providers. For more information, visit www.hksi.org.

About URAC

URAC is an independent, nonprofit healthcare accrediting organization dedicated to promoting healthcare quality through accreditation, education and measurement. For more information, visit www.urac.org.

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