



## News Release

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### **VNA/SCC Awarded \$12,000 from Valley United Way to Provide Care to the Underinsured**

New Haven, CT (August 22, 2011) – [The Visiting Nurse Association of South Central Connecticut](#) (VNA/SCC) was recently awarded a \$12,000 grant from the [Valley United Way](#) to provide home health care to the Valley’s underinsured through its Subsidized Care Program.

“With the help of the Valley United Way, the VNA/SCC continues to fulfill its mission of providing high-quality home health care to all, including the underinsured” said John R. Quinn, President & CEO of VNA/SCC. “In such tough economic times, these funds enable our nurses to provide home health care to those who may not be able to afford proper care.”

From July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011, the VNA/SCC had 28 patient admissions to the Subsidized Care Program in the Valley area. A total of 55 home health visits were made, which included skilled nursing, rehabilitative therapies and social work. Funds were also utilized to cover the expense of medical supplies.

“We are grateful for the work of safety-net home health agencies such as the VNA of South Central Connecticut, whose mission supports serving a vulnerable patient population that otherwise lacks access to necessary health care services,” Jack Walsh, President & Chief Operating Officer, of Valley United Way.

## **About VNA Health Systems**

VNA Health Systems is comprised of the Visiting Nurse Association of South Central Connecticut (VNA/SCC) and *CareSource*, Inc.

Founded in 1904, the VNA/SCC, which is the original VNA of New Haven, Milford and the Valley, is a state licensed, non-profit, community-based home health care agency. The VNA/SCC staff consists of highly skilled nurses, therapists, medical social workers and home health aides. A vital resource to the communities it serves, the VNA/SCC provides a wide range of specialized clinical services, community programs, the Nurturing Families Network and subsidized care through United Way funding.. The agency employs over 230 staff members, has an average daily census of over 1,000 patients and makes over 170,000 home visits per year. The agency is the founder of the *Nightingale Awards for Excellence in Nursing*. The VNA/SCC is supported in part by The Community Foundation for Greater New Haven, local United Way organizations, corporate sponsors and individual donors. To learn more about the VNA/SCC visit [www.vnascc.org](http://www.vnascc.org).

*CareSource* strives to maximize the quality of life for its clients and their caregivers in the home and health care settings. Their services include homemakers, companions and live-in aides. To learn more about CareSource visit [www.caresourceinc.org](http://www.caresourceinc.org).

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