

LHC home oxygen award

Livingston HealthCare's home oxygen department is on par for standards of excellence, according to an independent, nonprofit accrediting body.

LHC announced this week that it has been awarded a three-year term of accreditation from the Community Health Accreditation Program for the health care group's home oxygen department.

CHAP, which is based in Washington, D.C., accredits organizations that it finds meet certain standards for providing quality health care services, according to the organization's Web site.

LHC's home oxygen department serves more than 500 patients annually, according to a press release from LHC. The department delivers and supports home oxygen and other medical equipment.

CHAP's report on LHC's department cited several of the program's strengths, such as longtime employees and participation in ongoing educational opportunities, according to LHC's news release.

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid requires that durable medical equipment suppliers, such as the home oxygen department, must comply with certain quality standards. The CHAP accreditation shows that LHC meets those standards.