## VNS Health Acquires NYC-Based Alliance Home Services

VNS Health, one of the nation's largest home- and community-based health care nonprofits, has acquired Alliance Home Services, a licensed home care services agency (LHCSA) serving the

Bronx. As part of this acquisition, over 200 Alliance home health aides (HHAs), representing a majority of the Alliance workforce, will also transition to work for VNS Health.

The two organizations have worked closely together to ensure a seamless transition for clients, payers and providers during the change. Unless they choose otherwise, current Alliance clients will continue to receive uninterrupted care from their HHAs, all of whom who are represented by SEIU 1199. The membership status of all 1199 HHAs will also not change. VNS Health has existing relationships with all of the same payers contracted with Alliance, further supporting the transition.

"Alliance has set a high bar for personalized service and client connection when it comes to home-based care and services," said Jim Rolla, SVP of VNS Health Personal Care. "We are proud to welcome our new colleagues to the VNS Health team and we look forward to supporting them as they help those they care for live safely and comfortably in their homes and communities—without sacrificing the quality care they've come to depend on day in and day out."

VNS Health has a long history of providing home- and community-based health care to New Yorkers, particularly in historically underserved areas. The organization employs roughly 7,000 highly trained and compassionate HHAs who provided more than 7.7 million hours in personal care to vulnerable New Yorkers last year. "Shared values and an unwavering commitment to delivering the kind of care and quality service that we all desire for our own families, are the centerpiece for both VNS Health and Alliance Home Services," Jim added. "We are already working together on a seamless transition for everyone involved." "Our clients are like family. Therefore, the decision to entrust them, and their caregivers, was not taken lightly," said the Alliance Board of Directors.

"We are extremely fortunate to have found an organization with the same values and passion that we have provided in our 40+ years. Therefore, we are very excited that VNS Health has agreed to take over our operations, providing a seamless transition and the continuity of care that we would expect of a first-class home care agency."