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## Local Comfort Keepers Becomes First Franchisee in State to Become a Home Health Care Agency

STATE COLLEGE, PA—Comfort Keepers of Centre, Blair, and Clearfield counties becomes the first Comfort Keepers franchisee in Pennsylvania to get their home health care license.

The addition of a home health care designation allows Comfort Keepers to provide skilled care, including medication administration, insulin syringe filling, catheter hygiene, and wound care for their clients. This means that clients can use Comfort Keepers for more services instead of having to work with several different agencies to get the full range of care they require.

"I'm really looking forward to see the company grow even more with the addition of skilled nursing," coowner, Dave Hellyer says, "We truly care for our clients and want to be able to be with them during every step of the aging process." Traditionally, Comfort Keepers provides direct care workers to senior citizens and other adults who need help with their daily living functions. Services include personal care, dementia care, light housekeeping, companionship, and meal preparation, which can be tailored to meet the evolving needs of the client as they age at home.

The Comfort Keepers Franchise was founded in 1998 and has grown to more than 700 franchised locations around the world. In August of 2009, the brand was strengthened when the franchisor, CK Franchising, Inc., was purchased by Sodexo, a global leader that delivers quality of life services to over 75 million consumers in 80 countries each day. Comfort Keepers is a growing international franchise that provides in-home care services for aging adults, new mothers and others needing assistance with daily activities enabling them to stay in their own homes. For more information, visit <a href="http://statecollege-551.comfortkeepers.com">http://statecollege-551.comfortkeepers.com</a>, or call the office at (814) 861-1600.

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