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## Bayada Nurses Acquires Prescott, AZ Home Health Service

Moorestown, NJ, May 5, 2011 – Bayada Nurses, a national home health care company, announced today that it has acquired the home health care agency of the Yavapai Regional Medical Center (YRMC) – a Medicare and Medicaid-certified home health care agency located in Prescott, Arizona that provides services to residents of western Yavapai County, AZ. The acquisition becomes effective on Monday, June 13, 2011.

“With the many changes in the home care industry, it is challenging for many hospitals to focus on home care – it is a different type of service that is provided outside of the hospital facility,” said J. Mark Baiada, president, CEO, and founder of Bayada Nurses. “We were looking for a way to serve more people in Arizona, and were very impressed with YRMC’s mission, which is similar to ours.”

Bayada and YRMC are dedicated to improving home health care in Yavapai County, and helping more people stay safely at home with comfort, independence, and dignity. All YRMC home health patient care services will continue without interruption, and its employees will become employees of Bayada Nurses.

“We share many of the same values as Bayada Nurses, and their excellent reputation, quality of services provided, and commitment to their mission and values were important factors in our decision,” explained Tim Barnett, YRMC’s president and chief executive officer. “We anticipate that this will be a seamless transition, and our patients will continue to receive high quality care from the same team of nurses, therapists, and home health aides that they’ve been accustomed to.”

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Bayada Nurses, headquartered in Moorestown, NJ, has provided care for clients in Arizona since 1997. Bayada currently operates offices in Phoenix, Tempe, and Tucson, which provide skilled, rehabilitative, therapeutic, and personal care services. Bayada has nearly 600 office and field employees in Arizona, and has provided care for more than 30,000 clients in the state.

For more information on Bayada Nurses in Yavapai County, contact division director Joanne Bateman at 602-920-6839.

*Founded in 1975 by J. Mark Baiada, Bayada Nurses is an independently-owned home health care company that employs more than 13,000 nurses, home health aides, therapists and social workers in more than 180 offices and 18 states. Bayada Nurses provides skilled, rehabilitative, therapeutic, personal care, and support services to people of all ages in the comfort of their own homes. For more information, visit [www.bayada.com](http://www.bayada.com) or [www.youtube.com/bayadanurses](http://www.youtube.com/bayadanurses).*