August 7, 2012

To: Oregon in-home care agencies

From: Health Care Regulation and Quality Improvement
In-home care agency program

RE: In-home care agency medication training program approval

On July 1, 2012 the In-home care agency Oregon Administrative Rules (OARs), Chapter 333, Division 536, were revised to include new requirements. Those requirements allow in-home care agencies to provide medication training to employees using medication training programs approved by Health Care Regulation and Quality Improvement (HCRQI). Those programs are referred to in the OARs as “approved entities”.

The aQuire, five hour, on-line training program titled “Home Care Medications” has been reviewed. The program was evaluated against the applicable OARs and it has been determined that the course curriculum addresses the in-home care medication training requirements.

Formal approval of the aQuire on-line “Home Care Medications” training program as an “approved entity” was granted to that company effective July 20, 2012.

Please note that this is a five-hour course with a sixth module which produces a Certificate of Completion. The Certificate of Completion should be maintained in employee personnel records as evidence of successful online completion of the course work and quizzes.

The approval will be posted on the HCRQI website at www.healthoregon.org/hcrqi