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**NATIONAL QUALITY CERTIFICATION AWARDED  
TO EXCELA HEALTH WORKS OCCUPATIONAL MEDICINE PROGRAM**

**GREENSBURG, PA, December 28, 2017...** Excelsa Health WORKS, the health system's occupational medicine program, has received certification from the National Association of Occupational Health Professionals (NAOHP). This three-year certification is considered the industry gold standard, recognizing outstanding occupational health practices for the delivery of quality health care services to the workforce in the community.

"Excelsa Health WORKS strives to provide area employers best in class occupational medicine care," said Laurie English, Senior Vice President and Chief Human Resource Office of Excelsa Health, who oversees the occupational medicine program. "Certification by the NAOHP distinguishes our commitment to quality, not just in clinic processes but most importantly in our day-to-day medical care and patient interactions."

The NAOHP is the premier professional organization for occupational medicine providers and clinics and provides benchmarks, standards and best practice consultation nationwide. Occupational health programs and clinics that participate in an NAOHP Site Certification are evaluated based on six national standards: Administration, Operational Framework, Staffing Processes, Quality Assurance, Product Line Development, and Sales and Marketing

NAOHP Surveyor Donna Lee Gardner, a nurse and occupational health consultant who was instrumental in developing the national standards that are applied during the certification process, said she was "particularly impressed with

Excelsa Health's Occupational Health Program. They have highly committed staff that work wonderfully as a team for patient and client company excellence," Gardner said. "They did an excellent job preparing for the evaluation. There are many aspects of the practice that truly set it apart."

The NAOHP site surveyor performs a comprehensive review, with careful scrutiny applied to the program's demonstration of best practice medical and administrative processes that will result in improved outcomes and employer service. Earning the NAOHP's quality certification demonstrates that a program is "best in class", in particular in the areas of medical care and adherence to state and federal regulations. Clients of NAOHP certified programs can be assured that their provider is dedicated to maintaining quality initiatives that increase efficiency and customer service.

Excelsa Health WORKS Occupational Medicine has been partnering with businesses in and around Westmoreland County since 2015 with the goal of offering convenient and comprehensive health care service for employers that aids in reducing work-related injuries and expenses through preventive screenings, quality injury care and comprehensive on-site wellness programs. Excelsa Health WORKS Occupational Medicine currently has two locations: North Huntingdon inside Excelsa Square at Norwin and Latrobe, at Excelsa Latrobe Hospital.