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Penticton and District Society for Community Living awarded three-year CARF accreditation

Penticton, BC — August 23, 2010 — CARF International announced that Penticton and District Society for Community Living has been accredited for a period of three years for its Community Housing, Community Integration, Host Family Services, Supported Living and Organizational Employment Services programs. The latest accreditation is the second consecutive Three-Year Accreditation that the international accrediting body has awarded to Penticton and District Society for Community Living.

This accreditation decision represents the highest level of accreditation that can be awarded to an organization and shows the organization's substantial conformance to the CARF standards. An organization receiving a Three-Year Accreditation has put itself through a rigorous peer review process and has demonstrated to a team of surveyors during an on-site visit that its programs and services are of the highest quality, measurable, and accountable.

Penticton and District Society for Community Living is a nonprofit organization with offices at 180 Industrial Avenue West. It has been providing community services in Penticton since 1958.

CARF is an independent, nonprofit accrediting body whose mission is to promote the quality, value, and optimal outcomes of services through a consultative accreditation process that centers on enhancing the lives of the persons served. Founded in 1966 as the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities, and now known as CARF, the accrediting body establishes consumer-focused standards to help organizations measure and improve the quality of their programs and services.

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