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## **QUEST FOR INDEPENDENCE GRANTED DEEMING STATUS BY THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF MRDD**

**Columbus, OH (July 29, 2008)** – Quest for Independence was recently granted deeming status through the Ohio Department of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities (ODMRDD). This status is awarded as a result of Quest for Independence meeting and/or exceeding the training requirements for its employees based on ODMRDD rules.

The deeming status was granted to Quest for Independence, an Ohio provider of adult day habilitation, vocational, and employment services for persons with developmental disabilities, as a result of its recent three-year CARF accreditation. During its survey of Quest for Independence's six Ohio locations, CARF found that, "Staff members at all levels of the organization exhibit an awareness of each person's individual needs and expectations."

The deeming status is valid for the entire three-year period of the CARF accreditation – which was granted through June, 2011.

For additional information about Quest for Independence's deeming status, contact Sara Eppard at 614-339-0826.

### **About Quest for Independence**

Quest for Independence was founded in 2005, after funding shifts at the state level in Ohio opened up to private providers the ability to provide day habilitation programs for individuals with developmental disabilities. Starting in 2006 with just two locations – in Worthington, and Cincinnati, Ohio – Quest for Independence has grown to 6 locations in under two years. Today, Quest for Independence is recognized as an innovative provider of quality day habilitation and work programs, including supported employment, enclave and community work in group settings, and is part of the ViaQuest Inc. family of companies. For more information on Quest for Independence, visit [QforI.com](http://QforI.com).

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