



## Gentiva(R) Health Services Schedules Third Quarter Earnings Call and Web Cast for Thursday, October 29, 2009

ATLANTA, Oct 13, 2009 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- Gentiva Health Services, Inc. (Nasdaq: GTIV), a leading provider of comprehensive home health services, announced today that it has scheduled a conference call and web cast on Thursday, October 29, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. ET to discuss operating results for the third quarter ended September 27, 2009. Gentiva plans to issue its financial news release the morning of October 29 before pre-market trading.

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The conference call is open to investment analysts and managers, Company shareholders and others interested in Gentiva Health Services. Instructions for participation in the conference call follow:

- Event: Gentiva Health Services' third quarter 2009 conference call.
- Date and Time: Thursday, October 29, 2009, 10:00 a.m. ET.
- Instructions: Participants in the United States, Canada and international locations may call (973) 935-2408 and reference call #35210278.
- Web Cast URL: <http://investors.gentiva.com/events.cfm>.
- Replay: A replay of the call will be available on October 29, beginning at approximately 1 p.m. ET, and will remain available continuously through November 5. To listen to a replay of the call from the United States, Canada or international locations, dial (800) 642-1687 or (706) 645-9291 and enter the following PIN at the prompt: 35210278. Visit <http://investors.gentiva.com/events.cfm> to access the web cast archive.
- Transcript: A transcript of the call, including questions and answers, is expected to be available on Gentiva's web site within 48 hours after its conclusion.

### *About Gentiva Health Services, Inc.*

Gentiva Health Services, Inc. is a leading provider of comprehensive home health services, delivering innovative, high-quality care to patients across the United States. Gentiva is a single source for skilled nursing; physical, occupational, speech and neurorehabilitation services; hospice services; social work; nutrition; disease management education; help with daily living activities; respiratory therapy and home medical equipment; infusion therapy services; and other therapies and services. For more information, visit Gentiva's web site, <http://www.gentiva.com>, and its investor relations section at <http://investors.gentiva.com>. GTIV-E

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*refer to the Company's various filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), including the "Risk Factors" section contained in the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 28, 2008.*

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