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HORIZON CEO RECEIVES HEALTHCARE AWARD.

Buffalo, NY – Horizon President and CEO Anne Constantino has been selected as a finalist for *Business First's* 2008 Health Care 50, honoring 50 movers, innovators, strategists, outstanding caregivers and pioneers in the health care field. The recognition celebrates the achievements of these individuals, who are making a difference in medicine, research, insurance, finance and other health-related industries. The complete list of finalists appeared in a special supplement to *Business First* on April 25, 2008.

Constantino began working at Horizon in 1986 as a clinical director and project coordinator, helping to develop the chemical dependency division of Horizon. She was also instrumental in negotiating and securing the company's first managed care contracts and assisted in doubling the corporate revenues in her first three years at Horizon.

She was named chief operating officer and vice president in 1990, and continued to help expand Horizon by developing the first regional residential drug treatment program (now Horizon Village) and growing the Horizon staff to more than 200 clinical and administrative members while developing new services and further increasing revenue.



In 1994, Constantino was named president and CEO, and continues to lead the development and implementation of strategic and annual operating plans for the Horizon group of successful health and behavioral health corporations. Revenues and services have tripled under her leadership, and Horizon has expanded its market share (securing new, exclusive contracts and moving into new markets) and rebounded fiscally after a serious computer and financial crisis in 2000.

A graduate of SUNY at Buffalo, where she received her M.S. in Educational Psychology and Rehabilitation Counseling, Constantino has participated in the NYS Committee for Drug Courts' State Planning Conference in 2006 and the City of Buffalo Committee on Substance Abuse (2006). She is also a graduate of Leadership Buffalo, Class of 2003, and a member of the New York Association of Community Mental Health Centers, Therapeutic Communities of America and the NYS Association of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse.

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