

# AHCA/NCAL: The Bay at Suring, The Bay at Manahawkin and The Bay at Garden View Centers achieve 2022 AHCA/NCAL Bronze National Quality awards

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The Bay at Suring and The Bay at Manahawkin Health and Rehabilitation Centers, and The Bay at Garden View Assisted Living Center have been recognized as 2022 recipients of the *Bronze - Commitment to Quality Award* by the American Health Care Association and National Center for Assisted Living (AHCA/NCAL) for those facilities commitment to improving the lives of residents through quality care. The distinction is the first of three progressive award levels through the AHCA/NCAL National Quality Award Program. The program, presented by the leading association in long term and post-acute care, honors providers across the country that have demonstrated their commitment to improving quality of care for our nation's seniors and people with disabilities.

“On behalf of the hard-working Teams at The Bay at Suring, The Bay at Manahawkin and The Bay at Garden View, we are proud to have them recognized with Bronze National Quality Awards,” said Mark Ruvel and Izzy Weinberg, Managing Partners of Champion Care, which operates The Bay Health and Rehabilitation Centers. “This Award recognizes the significant effort that our entire Team has done as a community facility to advance the quality of care we provide to the older adults whom we are honored to serve.”

Created by AHCA/NCAL in 1996, the [National Quality Award Program](#) is a rigorous three-level process that is reviewed and judged by trained experts against a set of

nationally recognized standards for organizational excellence. The standards of the *Baldrige Performance Excellence Program* help organizations achieve superior performance to improve quality of life and care of long-term care residents and staff.

Providers begin the quality improvement process at the Bronze level, where they develop an organizational profile with essential performance elements such as vision, mission statement, and key strengths and challenges. Bronze applicants must also demonstrate their ability to implement a sustainable performance improvement system. Trained examiners review each application to determine if the center has met the demands of the criteria. As a recipient of the *Bronze - Commitment to Quality* award, The Bay at Suring, Manahawkin and Garden View may now move forward in developing approaches and achieving advanced levels of performance that meet the *Silver - Achievement in Quality* award criteria.

“Quality care is always top of mind for providers, and this achievement celebrates the commitment and fortitude of The Bay Health and Rehabilitation Centers to find ways to enhance the lives of its patients and residents,” said the AHCA/NCAL National Quality Award Board of Overseers Chair Tammy Kelly. “I hope The Bay at Suring, The Bay at Manahawkin and The Bay at Garden View serve as models for other centers to begin a formal process to continually reflect on and improve its delivery of quality care to staff, seniors, and individuals with disabilities.”

The awards will be celebrated during AHCA/NCAL’s 73<sup>rd</sup> Convention & Expo in Nashville, Tennessee, on October 9-12, 2022.