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AHCA Announces 11 Gold Seal Award Winners

~ Increases Total Number of Gold Seal Award Facilities in Florida to 37 ~

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – Today, the Agency for Health Care Administration (Agency) announced that 11 nursing facilities have received the Gold Seal Award from the Governor’s Panel on Excellence in Long-Term Care. Six facilities earned Gold Seal designation for the first time while five others had their status renewed. There are now 37 Gold Seal Award facilities in Florida. This award recognizes Long-term Care (LTC) facilities that consistently provide their residents with exceptionally high levels of care.

Governor Rick Scott said, “Gold Seal facilities represent the very best nursing homes that Florida has to offer. Our state is dedicated to providing our seniors with the best possible care, and these facilities help give families the peace of mind that their loved ones are in good hands. I would like to thank these nursing homes and their staff members for their commitment to providing exceptional care for elderly Floridians.”

Agency Secretary Justin M. Senior said, “I would like to offer my congratulations to the facilities receiving this recognition and thank them for living up to the Agency’s mission of providing better health care for all Floridians. Residents of nursing homes often require around the clock care, and these facilities and their staff have consistently risen to the challenge of delivering high levels of care. Thank you again for the incredible service that you continue to provide for Floridians and their families.”

The following facilities are recognized as Gold Seal Award facilities effective January 1, 2017:

- Alpine Health and Rehabilitation Center, Saint Petersburg (Renewal)
- Baldomero Lopez Memorial State Veterans Nursing Home, Land O Lakes
- Clyde E Lassen State Veterans Nursing Home, Saint Augustine
- Delaney Park Health and Rehabilitation Center, Orlando (Renewal)
- Haven of Our Lady of Peace, Pompano Beach
- John Knox Village of Pompano Beach, Pompano Beach
- Joseph L Morse Geriatric Center, Inc., West Palm Beach (Renewal)
- Okeechobee Health Care Facility, Okeechobee
- The Pavilion for Health Care, Penney Farms (Renewal)
- Port Orange Nursing and Rehab Center, Port Orange
- Royal Oaks Nursing and Rehab Center, Titusville (Renewal)

Facilities that wish to be considered for the Gold Seal Award must be in operation for a minimum of 30 months and meet rigorous standards for quality of care, financial soundness, family and community involvement, training and workforce stability. Facilities must also have an excellent regulator history in the 30 months preceding their application.



For a complete listing of Gold Seal facilities, please visit FloridaHealthFinder.gov and click on *Facilities or Providers* underneath the *Locate* header. From there choose *Search by Facility Type/Location* and use the *Advanced Search* option when searching for nursing homes to find the list of Gold Seal facilities.

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The Agency for Health Care Administration is committed to better health care for all Floridians. The Agency administers Florida's Medicaid program, licenses and regulates more than 49,000 health care facilities and 43 health plans, and publishes health care data and statistics at www.FloridaHealthFinder.gov. Additional information about Agency initiatives is available via [Facebook \(AHCAFlorida\)](#), [Twitter \(@AHCA_FL\)](#) and [YouTube \(/AHCAFlorida\)](#).