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Nevada State Veterans Home Receives 2018 HealthInsight Quality Award Sixth Year in a Row

(Boulder City, NV) – HealthInsight has once again recognized the Nevada State Veterans Nursing Home (NSVH) for excellence in clinical quality and patient care.

For a sixth year in a row, NSVH has been chosen to receive the HealthInsight Quality Award. It recognizes high-performing health care provider organizations in states in which HealthInsight serves as the contractor for the Medicare program's Quality Innovation Network-Quality Improvement Organization. The Nevada Department of Veterans Services (NDVS) oversees the veteran's home, located in Boulder City, Nevada.

NDVS Director Kat Miller said, "We are extremely honored to once again receive HealthInsight's highest award." She added, "This not only demonstrates our sustained commitment to providing Nevada's veterans with excellence and quality care, but underscores our passion in doing so. Congratulations to our home Administrator and her staff for continued excellence in care to our veterans."

NSVH is one of only six skilled nursing care facilities across Nevada to receive this distinguished honor this year. Administrator Linda Gelinger said, "We are very honored to receive this prestigious award for our sixth consecutive year showing that we are deeply committed to providing the highest quality of care to our veterans that they so deserve. It is also heartwarming for our staff to be acknowledged for the hard work they do each and every day, for their commitment in honoring and serving our veterans."

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Additionally, the home has recently received another significant distinction. It has maintained the highest rating possible of 5-Stars by Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. The CMS Quality Rating System helps consumers compare nursing homes more easily and identify facilities that provide excellence in care.

The NSVH is a state-owned and operated skilled nursing home that can accommodate up to 180 residents, including veterans, their spouse and Gold Star parents. The facility provides 24-hour nursing care and offers are variety of programs and services designed to enhance the overall quality of day-to-day life for our residents. The NSVH is currently accepting applications for new residents. For more information, visit www.veterans.nv.gov or call (702) 332-6784.

To meet the criteria for the Nursing Home Quality Award, a facility must rank in the top 25th percentile of all facilities in the state based on 15 long-stay quality measures reported on Medicare's Nursing Home Compare website. The facility also must have at least a 3-Star rating on Nursing Home Compare. For more on the criteria, visit https://healthinsight.org/qulaity-awards

The HealthInsight Quality Award Program was launched in September 2004 to promote transparency in health care. As defined by the Institute of Medicine, a transparent health care system is "accountable to the public, works openly, makes results known and builds trust through disclosure." By using publicly available quality data to identify high-performing providers and publicizing the results, HealthInsight aims to help providers improve health care and help patients become more active and informed participants in their own care.