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Twenty-seven Organizations from Throughout Arkansas Receive Governor's Quality Awards

Twenty-seven organizations from throughout the state were presented Arkansas Governor's Quality Awards by Governor Asa Hutchinson during the 22st Annual Awards Celebration for the Governor's Quality Award Program on Tuesday evening, September 20th at the Marriott Hotel in downtown Little Rock.

More than 300 business and civic leaders from throughout Arkansas attended the celebration.

DD&F Consulting Group of Little Rock took top honors in receiving the Governor's Award for Performance Excellence.

The Achievement Level Award was presented to **North Arkansas Regional Medical Center** of Harrison.

Organizations receiving the Commitment Level Award were: **The Crossing at Riverside Health and Rehabilitation**, Searcy; **Mercy Hospital Rogers**, Rogers; **Mountain Meadows Health and Rehabilitation**, Batesville; **ProCARE Therapy Services, LLC**, Little Rock; **Professional Nursing Solutions, LLC**, Sherwood, and **Springdale Water Utilities**, Springdale.

Organizations receiving the Challenge Level Award were: **Belle View Estates Rehabilitation and Care Center**, Monticello; **Brookridge Cove Rehabilitation & Care Center**, Morrilton; **Chapel Ridge Health & Rehab**, Fort Smith; **Courtyard Gardens Health and Rehabilitation Center**, Arkadelphia; **Courtyard Rehabilitation and Health Center**, El Dorado; **EagleCrest Nursing and Rehab**, Ash Flat; **Galley Support Innovations**, Sherwood; **Garland Nursing & Rehab Center**, Hot Springs; **Georg Fischer Harvel, LLC**, Little Rock; **The Green House Cottages at Wentworth Place**, Magnolia; **Harrison Rehabilitation and Health Center**, Harrison; **Peregrine Integrated Management, Inc.**, Sherwood; **Pocahontas Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center**, Pocahontas; **Rector Nursing and Rehab**, Rector; **River Chase Rehabilitation and Care Center**, Morrilton; **River Ridge Rehabilitation and Care Center**, Wynne; **Rogers Health and Rehabilitation Center**, Rogers; **Sheridan Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center**, Sheridan, and **The Woods of Monticello**, Monticello.

The awards ceremony includes four award levels of Performance Excellence (in descending order of qualifications): the Governor's Award, the Achievement Award, the Commitment Award and the Challenge Award. As well as the recognition, recipients receive an in-depth evaluation of their management systems and a written feedback report citing strengths and areas for improvement.

The goal of the Governor's Quality Award Program is to encourage Arkansas organizations to engage in continuous quality improvement, which leads to performance excellence, and to provide significant recognition to those organizations. Created as a not-for-profit organization, the program is dedicated to assist in building a strong infrastructure for Arkansas businesses.

That dedication is reflected in the program's vision to be a catalyst for excellence in organizational performance. The Governor's Quality Award program partners with the Arkansas State Chamber of Commerce.

The Chairman of the Board of the Governor's Quality Award program is Chris Weiser, president and JV Manufacturing in Springdale. Organizations and companies interested in participating in the program should contact Governor's Quality Award Executive Director Sue Weather with the Arkansas State Chamber of Commerce by calling 501-372-2222 or go to www.arkansas-quality.org.

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