



Altercare Post-Acute Rehabilitation Center, Kent, Ohio Earns Top Distinction in Quality Care

AHCA/NCAL announces recipients of 2016 Gold National Quality Award

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Washington, D.C. — The American Health Care Association and National Center for Assisted Living (AHCA/NCAL) announced that Altercare Post-Acute Rehabilitation Center earned the 2016 *Gold – Excellence in Quality Award*. The award is the final of three distinct levels possible through the AHCA/NCAL National Quality Award Program, which recognizes organizations nationally that serve as models of excellence in providing high-quality care.

“This year’s recipients (3) join an elite group of providers who are among the very best in the nation,” said AHCA/NCAL President and CEO Mark Parkinson. “They are champions of quality in their communities and in our profession. I commend them all for this achievement and for their unwavering commitment to improve the lives of those they care for every day.”

Based on the core values and criteria of the nationally recognized Baldrige Performance Excellence Program, the [AHCA/NCAL National Quality Award Program](#) challenges member providers to achieve performance excellence through three progressive levels—Bronze, Silver, and Gold. The *Gold – Excellence in Quality Award* is the most prestigious of the program. At this level, recipients have invested multiple years in mastering and applying the rigorous quality improvement standards of the Baldrige Criteria to achieve superior results in the areas of leadership, strategic planning, customer and workforce focus, and operations and knowledge management.

“It takes many years for some to get to this level because we set the bar really high,” said Christine Boldt, Chair of the AHCA/NCAL National Quality Award Board of Overseers. “I’m very proud of this year’s recipients for successfully rising to the challenge. I applaud them for this significant achievement.”

Since the inception of the National Quality Award Program in 1996, only 31 long term and post-acute care providers have achieved this level of quality recognition, out of more than 13,000 centers.

The awards will be presented to recipients on October 18 during AHCA/NCAL’s 67th Annual Convention & Expo in Nashville, Tennessee.

About Altercare:

Altercare of Ohio is a family-owned company operating 21 nursing care and rehabilitation centers in Ohio and Michigan. Altercare facilities are dedicated to patient-focused nursing and rehabilitation services. Innovative care programming and employee education are a priority at all Altercare facilities. Altercare provides a full continuum of services including post-hospital transitional care, skilled nursing, physical, occupational and speech therapies, Alzheimer’s and related dementia programming and assisted living & independent living in specific locations. The objective of these caring services is to enable patients to successfully transition through our healing pathway.

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