MediLodge of Richmond Receives Governor’s Award of Excellence

Richmond, MI May 9, 2014 – MediLodge of Richmond is pleased to announce it has received MPRO’s 2014 Governor’s Award of Excellence for achievements in reducing health care acquired conditions in nursing homes. To receive this honor, MediLodge of Richmond not only improved the quality of resident care in clinical quality areas such as pressure ulcers, physical restraints, antipsychotic use, falls and urinary tract infections, but provided organizational improvement, and actively participated in the statewide Michigan Learning and Action Network and the National Advancing Excellence Nursing Home campaign.

“This award demonstrates Michigan’s deep commitment to providing high quality, safe and efficient health care,” said Snyder. “By using proven, evidence-based practices, these organizations are making sure individuals get the right care at the right time.”

This year, 188 Michigan hospitals, physician practices, nursing homes and community coalitions were honored with the award, which recognizes participants for their dedication to improve health care quality and patient safety in Michigan. To be eligible for the award, participating organizations must have achieved, maintained and continually improved in specific and rigorous milestones.

“We’re very fortunate to be able to partner with MediLodge of Richmond and other dedicated organizations across the state of Michigan,” said MPRO President and Chief Executive Officer Robert Yellan, MPH, J.D, FACHE. “To be able to recognize these accomplishments with the Governor’s office underscores the importance of these efforts to improve health care quality in the state.”

The Governor’s Award of Excellence was developed in 2003. The current award is based upon work from 2012-2014 in the following areas:

- Reducing health care associated infections
- Reducing health care acquired conditions in nursing homes
- Reducing adverse drug events
- Integrating care for populations and communities through improving care transitions and coordination
- Improving preventive care and early diagnosis through immunizations and screening
- Improving clinical quality measures associated with improving cardiac health
- Improving clinical quality measures among acute care and critical access hospitals
- Reducing disparities of care in cardiac health
The award criteria are based on the National Quality Strategy, Partnership for Patients and Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Quality Improvement Organizations’ 10th Statement of Work. The preventive care metrics also align with the Governor’s Healthy Michigan 4X4 plan.

Thank you to every member of our team for making this award possible! It is, undoubtedly, because of all of us working together to give the best possible care to our Lodgers that has resulted in this prestigious award in the health care industry. –Administrator Janet Farrugia

Award recipients were honored May 9, 2014 at the Eagle Eye Golf Course in Bath Township, MI.

For more information about the Governor’s Award of Excellence, including a list of winners, go to http://bit.ly/OCbcRD.

MediLodge of Richmond is a 126 bed skilled nursing center which specializes in both short term rehabilitation and long term care. We focus on each individual Lodger’s needs to maximize rehabilitation results in a comfortable and compassionate healing environment. MediLodge of Richmond is the ideal destination to recover, rejuvenate, revitalize and return home!

About MPRO

MPRO is an independent nonprofit and a national leader in healthcare quality improvement and medical review. MPRO serves as the federally designated Quality Improvement Organization (QIO) for Michigan under contract with the U.S. Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). MPRO also provides consultative services, medical and utilization review, data analysis and health information technology education and technical assistance to federal agencies, state Medicaid and public health agencies, healthcare facilities, private health plans and other third party payers. For more information, visit http://mpro.org.

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Social Media Posts

Social media is a simple way to inform your followers about your 2014 Governor's Award of Excellence. Below is sample language you can use to customize your posts. The hashtag for this year's award is #GAE2014.

Twitter

- If you have not already, please follow MPRO on Twitter @MPROCares
- Re-tweet (RT) MPRO’s tweets on the Governor’s Award of Excellence through your Twitter account(s).

Sample Tweets:

- Big congrats to our team! We've been awarded @MPROCares Governor's Award of Excellence for #GAE2014
- Improving #healthcare quality and #patientsafety. We’re honored to receive @MPROCares Governor’s Award of Excellence! #GAE2014
- Honoring #healthcare improvement across Michigan! We’ve been awarded @MPROCares Governor’s Award of Excellence #GAE2014
- We’re excited to announce we’ve been awarded @MPROCares Governor’s Award of Excellence for our achievements in! #GAE2014
- The office of @onetoughnerd and @MPROcares are honoring us with 2014 Governor’s Award of Excellence! #GAE2014

Facebook

- If you have not already, please like MPRO on Facebook www.facebook.com/MPROcares
- Like, share or comment on MPRO’s Governor’s Award of Excellence posts

Sample posts:

- Our team’s hard work and dedication to improving health care has paid off! We’ve been awarded MPRO’s 2014 Governor’s Award of Excellence. Big congrats to our team!
- MPRO and the office of Michigan Governor Rick Snyder honored MediLodge of Richmond with the 2014 Governor’s Award of Excellence! The prestigious award recognizes participants for their dedication to improve health care quality and patient safety in Michigan.
- We want to take a moment to congratulate our team for winning MPRO’s 2014 Governor’s Award of Excellence! MediLodge of Richmond is being honored.
Web Badge

To promote your Governor’s Award of Excellence on your website or blog, we have created a web badge. The image will link people directly to the Governor’s Award of Excellence section on the MPRO website, which is [http://www.mpro.org/#!health-care-at-its-best-celebration/cwqr](http://www.mpro.org/#!health-care-at-its-best-celebration/cwqr).

Using the badge is easy. You can either link the attached Governor’s Award of Excellence web badge png file to [http://www.mpro.org/#!health-care-at-its-best-celebration/cwqr](http://www.mpro.org/#!health-care-at-its-best-celebration/cwqr) or copy and paste the follow code:

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