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SKILLED NURSING FACILITY



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Wells Nursing Home Awarded Competitive Grant for Direct Care Worker Training

(Johnstown, NY) Wells Nursing Home located in Johnstown New York was recently awarded grant funding from the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) to offer training to its staff to prevent avoidable hospitalizations.

The \$109,000 grant was made available through the NYSDOH's Advanced Training Initiative (ATI) program, which is aimed at training direct care workers and other nursing home staff to help them detect early changes in resident's physical conditions and mental or functional status which could lead to avoidable hospital and emergency room visits. Less than 40 percent of all nursing homes in New York- only those with the highest employee retention rates- were eligible to apply for the ATI grant.

"We are pleased to have received this training grant under the ATI program: said Neal Van Slyke, Administrator of Wells Nursing Home. "The grant award not only affirms the commitment of our employees to the residents entrusted to our care, it also will allow us to invest in state-of-the-art training to detect health issues that could lead to hospitalization that could have otherwise been avoided.

Wells Nursing Home will work with Latham-based LeadingAgeNY to deliver the training curriculum to appropriate staff, identify policies and procedures to implement the program, and institute measures to identify progress made. It is anticipated that the training will be completed by the end of 2017.

Wells is a not-for-profit, mission-based organization which operates a 100 bed nursing home, an Adult Day Health care program and outpatient rehabilitation program in Johnstown, NY. The organization has been providing senior care since 1970. Wells strives to provide the highest quality of care to the people it serves, and is organized to meet the needs of all who seek its services either for short-term rehabilitative care or extended services.

For more information on Wells Nursing Home, please visit
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