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**PRESS RELEASE**  
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**Post-Acute Care Administrator Receives ACHCA's Eli Pick Facility Leadership Award AGAIN**

**Washington, DC – May 2, 2023** – The American College of Health Care Administrators (ACHCA) honors Karen Zobel, FACHCA, CEO/Administrator of The Baptist Home at Brookmeade in Rhinebeck, New York, with the 2023 Eli Pick Facility Leadership Award. Only 2% of facilities nationwide met the initial selection criteria. This year, thirty-one administrators in 16 states met all eligibility requirements and were awarded the facility leadership award nationally. The leadership award was celebrated at ACHCA's 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Convocation and Exposition in Baltimore, Maryland, on Tuesday, April 25.

Based on the premise that facility excellence reflects leadership excellence, this award recognizes the Administrator of record who provided such leadership for the entire 2022 calendar year. Eligibility for this award is based on three years of skilled nursing facility (SNF) survey data, including the Health, Fire Safety, and Complaint Surveys and top quartile performance on designated Quality Measures. The criteria also include at least a 70% or greater facility occupancy and a three-year avoidance of a Special Focus Facility status. This prestigious award is made possible with the support of Broad River Rehab.

"Skilled nursing centers across our country are at the forefront of providing care. Despite ongoing challenges, regulatory burdens, and limited resources, these exceptional leaders and their teams have shown that they can achieve outstanding results," Robert (Bob) Lane, ACHCA's President and CEO.

The Facility Leadership Award was introduced in 2008 by one of ACHCA's most revered leaders, the late Eli Pick. A former executive director of the Ballard Rehabilitation Center, DesPlaines, IL, for over 30 years, Eli embodied excellence as an Administrator who cared for his residents, their families, and his community. This award is presented annually in memory of Eli, a consummate member of ACHCA, dedicated to advancing professionalism and leadership in long-term care. The Eli Pick Facility Leadership Award can be viewed at [www.achca.org/eli-pick-facility-leadership](http://www.achca.org/eli-pick-facility-leadership).

Founded in 1962, the American College of Health Care Administrators (ACHCA) is **the only professional association** devoted solely to meeting the professional needs of today's long-term care administrator and executive. ACHCA's mission is to be the catalyst for excellence by providing education, promoting professional advancement through Fellowship, and facilitating mentorship via the keystone Mentoring Program. ACHCA's diverse membership includes administrators from the post-acute, senior living, home care, and aging services care continuum.

**About The Brookmeade Community:** The Community at Brookmeade, located on 75 country acres just outside the Village of Rhinebeck, is a senior living retirement community serving the Hudson Valley and surrounding areas. Arbor Ridge offers independent living, The Terraces offers assisted living, and Meadows provides long term care, sub-acute rehabilitation, palliative care and Out-Patient Rehabilitation Services and Meadows Adult Day Healthcare Program providing medically supervised care and companionship for individuals with physical or mental impairments who need daytime assistance away from home.

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