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**Beechwood Homes Awarded Grant From New York State Department of Health
Nursing Home Advanced Training Initiative (ATI).**

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Getzville, NY – [Beechwood Continuing Care](#) CEO & President Daniel O’Neill announces that its skilling nursing care affiliate, [Beechwood Homes](#), has been awarded a grant from the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) Nursing Home Advanced Training Initiative (ATI).

Through the ATI program, Beechwood Homes’ direct caregivers and ancillary staff will learn to detect early changes in a resident’s physical, mental or functional status that could lead to health declines and/or hospitalizations. To be eligible for these funds, Beechwood needed to meet strict criteria, including direct-care staff retention rates that exceed NYS averages, and have an established commitment to lower resident hospitalization rates.

Beechwood Homes’ staff, including nurses, CNAs, therapists, social workers and other front-line workers such as dining services, environmental services, recreation and maintenance staff, will go through a comprehensive education program provided by [LeadingAge New York](#), which represents not-for-profit, mission-driven senior care providers.

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“The discerning of resident preferences and the creation of meaningful relationships has a positive effect on the mental and functional outcomes of our residents,” says Rich McCune, Beechwood Homes Administrator. “Our goal with this program is to further educate staff on the benefits of resident exchanges that are purposeful, build on these relationships and improve our resident experience..”

“This grant offers a wonderful opportunity to provide knowledge and skills for our staff to utilize in their daily interactions with our residents while building strong relationships,” said Daniel O’Neill, CEO/President of Beechwood Continuing Care. “Helping staff to connect at a deeper level can improve our residents’ ability to feel happier, more satisfied, and ultimately, healthier. The benefits of this program are many, for both residents and staff.”

About Beechwood Homes

Beechwood Homes is a person-centered skilled nursing facility and the first in Western New York to feature person-centered care and household living. Called *Welcome Home*, this unique initiative transforms the way our elders are cared for by eliminating the institutional model. Accommodations consist of 272 private and semi-private rooms, including a 36-bed memory care unit and [Wesley Rehabilitation Center](#), a 27-bed unit designed specifically for residents with short-term rehabilitation needs. Beechwood Homes is an affiliate of Beechwood Continuing Care, a not-for-profit senior care community including Asbury Pointe, an independent retirement community; the Blocher Homes, assisted living; the Wesley Rehabilitation Center, short-term rehabilitative care; and the Beechwood Homes, a person-centered skilled nursing facility. For more information, visit www.beechwoodcare.org.

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