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## Wartburg Nursing Home Earns Top Quintile Status in New York State's Quality Pool

MOUNT VERNON, NY (December 28, 2023) The 2022 New York State Nursing Home Quality Initiative (NHQI) has been published with Wartburg's Nursing Home receiving top rating as compared to their peers.

In an effort to reward high-quality care, New York developed the Nursing Home Quality Pool (NHQP) in the 2010-2011 State Budget. The Department of Health (DOH) has been working with industry experts to design and compute an equitable quality scoring system using existing data sources. The NHQP score is comprised of fourteen quality performance measures, three compliance measures and one efficiency measure.

The ratings are comprised of two components: [1] the Quality Component (quality measures), and [2] the Compliance Component (compliance with reporting).

- **Quality Component:**
  - Percent of Contract/Agency Staff Used
  - Percent of Current Residents Up to Date with COVID-19 Vaccines with No Medical Contraindications (new measure)
  - Percent of Employees Vaccinated for Influenza (methodology change)
  - Percent of Long Stay High-Risk Residents with Pressure Ulcers (measure brought back)
  - Percent of Long Stay Low-Risk Residents Who Lose Control of Their Bowel or Bladder
  - Percent of Long Stay Residents Experiencing One or More Falls with Major Injury
  - Percent of Long Stay Residents Who Have Depressive Symptoms (measure brought back)
  - Percent of Long Stay Residents Who Lose Too Much Weight (measure brought back)
  - Percent of Long Stay Residents Who Received the Pneumococcal Vaccine
  - Percent of Long Stay Residents Who Received the Seasonal Influenza Vaccine
  - Percent of Long Stay Residents Whose Need for Help with Daily Activities Has Increased
  - Percent of Long Stay Residents with Dementia Who Received an Antipsychotic Medication (PQA)
  - Percent of Long Stay Residents with a Urinary Tract Infection
  - Rate of Staffing Hours per Resident per Day
  - Total Nursing Staff Turnover (new measure)



- **Compliance Component:**
  - NYS Regionally Adjusted Five-Star Quality Rating for Health Inspections
  - Timely Submission of Employee Influenza Immunization Data
- **Efficiency Component:**
  - Potentially Avoidable Hospitalizations

“Throughout these challenging times, Wartburg’s Nursing Home continues to be recognized for superior outcomes. I am extremely proud of our continued presence as a top-tier nursing home, which is only possible because of our employees’ commitment to the highest quality of care and service, each and every day,” said Wartburg President Dr. David J. Gentner.

Administrator Bridget Zimmermann said, “Wartburg’s achievement of the first quintile for the second year in a row speaks to the dedication of our team. Whether our patients are coming from our campus programs such as the Adult Day Program, Assisted or Independent Living, or from one of our hospital partners, each one is treated with the best clinical experience Wartburg has to offer. Our staff throughout the campus share in this proud moment of recognition for our Skilled Nursing Facility team.”

### **About Wartburg**

Wartburg, located in Westchester County, NY, offers integrated, comprehensive senior residential and healthcare services. Unlike conventional retirement communities, Wartburg provides a wide range of services to both residents living on their beautiful 34-acre campus and people in their own homes. From independent, assisted living and award-winning nursing home care to inpatient/outpatient rehabilitation, home care and adult day care services, their continuing care approach has earned them a trusted reputation. Wartburg also provides caregiver support at every stage with an array of options to find the level of care that considers the whole family. Wartburg was named one of the “Best Nursing Homes in New York State” by *U.S. News & World Report* and *Newsweek* for the twelfth consecutive year in 2024.

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