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## **LOCAL NURSING & REHAB FACILITY EARNED 5-STARS!**

[Liberal, KS Feb. 21, 2018] –Wheatridge Park Care Center has been awarded FIVE STARS for quality care and services by The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

Nursing homes (and skilled care facilities) must meet certain requirements set by Congress. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) have entered into an agreement with State governments to complete routine health inspections and to investigate complaints about nursing home care. A quality ranking system has been developed by CMS to help provide insights for consumers that are searching for short or long-term care. Health inspections, as well as staffing, and quality measures, contribute to the overall rating of each facility.

Marc Riley, Executive Director for Wheatridge Park stated, "We have worked diligently to achieve five stars in quality and I am proud and humbled that we are now ranked among the top in the nation." According to the CMS website (02.21.2018), Kansas facilities average over 10 deficiencies. The staff at Wheatridge were thrilled to receive less deficiencies than average during their last state inspection.

"I am not at all surprised that Marc and the team of professionals at Wheatridge Park Care Center have earned this quality care distinction" stated Heather Stratton, VP Operations with Frontline Management. "They have demonstrated, through their provision of excellence, a dedication to positive outcomes," she added.

In an ever-changing health care environment, a continued focus is needed to earn excellent results – a challenge that Marc and the team are well-prepared for; however, today, the staff, residents and leadership team are taking a moment to celebrate the results of their hard-work.

## **About Wheatridge Park Care Center**

Wheatridge Park Care Center provides comprehensive short-term nursing care and therapy services, extended care, and respite/vacation care accommodations. Wheatidge Park is managed by Frontline Management, a healthcare management company located in Lafayette, CO. For more information about Wheatridge Park, please call 620-624-0130 or visit www.wheatridgepark.com.