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Among Ohio's Largest Nursing Homes Menorah Park Rates Outstanding In Resident & Client Care Areas

{Beachwood, OH} The Menorah Park Nursing Home residents and clients receive excellent care by staff, as demonstrated once again with the latest survey results from the Ohio Department of Health's (ODH) surprise inspection. There were zero deficiencies in resident and client care areas.

According to CEO Steven Raichilson, "As in other years, these inspection results were excellent. No issues were noted throughout the many resident care areas provided by Menorah Park," he said. "This is a very difficult goal to achieve because we are the largest nursing home in the State of Ohio and we care for very ill and infirm clients."

According to the Ohio Department of Aging, there are more than 1000 nursing homes in the state, serving more than 80,000 residents. Each nursing home/facility in Ohio receives at least one unannounced inspection/survey during a 9 to 15 month inspection/survey cycle. Surveyors speak to residents and family members, and staff to gain a clear understanding of the atmosphere of care. During Menorah Park's nursing home survey, five surveyors and one field supervisor spent four days, 10 to 12 hours each day, observing the nursing home care and services.

Administrator of Menorah Park and Chairman of the nursing home's Quality Assurance Committee, Richard Schwalberg, noted, "The surveyors followed a sampling of 10 percent of the home's residents, 35 of 350, and observed nearly every aspect of care, including their meal and medication passes, environment, weight changes, physical conditions such as incontinence, frame of mind, overall satisfaction, time in bed, catheter changes, care plans, chart reviews, and much more." He added, "They even checked resident meals for temperature and appetizing appearance."

Additionally, surveyors interviewed residents and family members, and spoke to representatives from Menorah Park's Residents' Council.

"The surveyors were highly complementary of all nursing home resident care and services. They were here for four very full days evaluating all resident care and services provided." And at the end of the survey, when they were told about Menorah Park's new Cardio Pulmonary program, all the surveyors gave a literal 'thumbs up' followed by applause," Schwalberg stated.

State inspections are crucial to ensure all aspects of superior care are in place. Their surveys serve to protect our infirm elderly and help them achieve a quality of life while coping with health challenges. What the surveyors were able to observe is that the Menorah Park Nursing Home is the epitome of a wonderful, caring, and well-managed place to do just that.

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