



Contact: Julie Dowd
Tel: 615-665-0246
Email: julie.dowd@blakeford.com

WOODCREST AT BLAKEFORD RECEIVES NATIONAL QUALITY AWARD
Blakeford at Green Hills' Nursing Center Joins Small But Elite Group in Tennessee

Nashville, TN - Blakeford at Green Hills announced today that their skilled nursing center, Woodcrest at Blakeford, has received the prestigious Silver Quality Award from the American Healthcare Association and National Center for Assisted Living (AHCA/NCAL).

The AHCA/NCAL national quality award program is a three-tier process setting high standards for quality and performance. The criteria for each step – Bronze, Silver, and Gold – are based on the Health Care Criteria from the Baldrige Performance Excellence Program.

Of the 316 licensed nursing homes in Tennessee, only six hold a Silver Quality Award and Woodcrest is one of that group. There are currently no Gold Quality Award providers in Tennessee.

“We are honored to be recognized in this way,” says Blakeford President and CEO, Van Cluck. “It’s a great affirmation that the care we provide to our residents is of the highest standards.”

Since 2012, ACHA/NCAL has been recognizing facilities for achieving the organizations’ quality initiatives. In 2017, they distinguished 1,575 facilities throughout the country.

Cluck says, “Blakeford’s leadership team is extremely proud of our Woodcrest team for their hard work, dedication, and commitment to providing quality care to all those we serve. They have set the bar high for the rest of the providers in Nashville and throughout the state.”

Blakeford at Green Hills

Established in 1996, Blakeford at Green Hills is a not-for-profit, locally owned and managed Life Plan community. Blakeford at Green Hills is the premier provider of senior lifestyle solutions offered through its CARF-CCAC accredited continuum of services which include Independent Living, Assisted Living, and Intermediate and Skilled Care Nursing. For more information, please visit blakeford.com.

The **American Health Care Association and National Center for Assisted Living (AHCA/NCAL)** represent more than 13,500 non-profit and proprietary skilled nursing centers, assisted living communities, sub-acute centers and homes for individuals with intellectual and development disabilities. By delivering solutions for quality care, AHCA/NCAL aims to improve the lives of the millions of frail, elderly and individuals with disabilities who receive long term or post-acute care in our member facilities each day. For more information, please visit www.ahca.org or www.ncal.org.