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U.S. News & World Report names Peconic Landing among the Nation's 'High Performing Honors' in Skilled Nursing Care Rating & New Short-Stay Rehab Rating

GREENPORT, N.Y., January 10, 2019 – Peconic Landing's Health Center has been named among *U.S. News & World Report's* "Best Nursing Homes" for the eighth consecutive year as well as received recognition under the new "Short-Stay" rating, both holding the honor of "High Performing" designation. This is the second year Peconic Landing's new resort-style short-term rehabilitation neighborhood, The Bluffs, was included in the rating and first year inclusion in this new sub-category, celebrating a positive transition through expansion efforts in 2016 and continued success through 2018.

U.S. News evaluated 619 nursing homes in the New York area, 14 of them were located on Long Island. Peconic Landing was 1 of 5 to be honored with the "High Performance" designation. According to U.S. News, the overall ratings methodology assigns each eligible nursing home a rating from High Performing to Poor. This rating evaluates the care of a wide range of resident conditions and incorporates the nurse staffing, health inspection, and quality measures star ratings. In addition to these measures, nursing homes were assessed based on the appropriateness of the therapy minutes provided to their residents as well as the consistency of their reported nurse staffing across self-reported and payroll-based reporting systems. All facilities with an overall star rating in the July 2018 Nursing Home Compare data set and staffing ratings in either the April 2018 or July 2018 Nursing Home Compare data sets received a U.S. News Overall Rating.

"It is an incredible honor to receive 'High Performance' recognition from U.S. News & World Report," said President & CEO, Robert J. Syron. "We are very proud to be serving Peconic Landing Members and the greater community with such high standards and strive to continue that care and culture. The acknowledgement is a true

testament to our team who dedicate themselves to every individual who experiences Peconic Landing.”

Those earning the publication’s top honor are the select few to have scored a five-star rating from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), the federal agency tasked with setting and enforcing standards for nursing homes. The agency evaluates federal data gauging health and safety standards, nurse staffing and care times, as well as the quality of care patients receive during a stay at each care center.

For the 2018-19 ratings, U.S. News introduced a new and first of its kind **Short-Stay Rehabilitation rating**. This new rating aims to provide patients with a clearer view of the quality of care provided by nursing homes to short-stay patients in need of intensive rehabilitation or nursing services before they return home after a surgery, stroke, accident or illness. Out of nearly 13,000 nursing homes that were evaluated, 2,042 earned a High-Performing rating in Short-Stay Rehabilitation.

"Several million Americans will spend at least some time in a nursing home this year, whether undergoing rehab after a hospital stay or as long-term residents," said Brian Kelly, editor and chief content officer of U.S. News. "Finding a nursing home that meets an individual's specific needs can be overwhelming. The Best Nursing Home ratings are designed to help potential residents and their families navigate this important decision." U.S. News & World Report, the global authority in health care rankings, today identified the Best Nursing Homes for 2018-19 and released its new [Nursing Home Finder](#). To create these free and easy-to-use resources, U.S. News evaluated more than 15,000 homes nationwide, in every state and nearly 100 major metropolitan areas. This year, 2,975 nursing homes earned the designation of a U.S. News Best Nursing Home.

"Every year we strive to improve upon the information we offer to caregivers making critical health care decisions for their loved ones," says Ben Harder, Chief of Health Analysis at U.S. News. "We understand that nurse staffing is among the most important predictors of nursing home quality. With our new methodology and Short-Stay Rehabilitation rating, we have taken several steps to ensure that nursing homes that consistently provide high quality care to residents are highlighted."

"Receiving high performance recognition under a new Short-Stay rating is inspiring," said Gregory J. Garrett, EVP/ Administrator of Health Services for Peconic Landing. "The acknowledgement of commitment to care for our members is something for our entire team to be celebrating."

The Shores has maintained that five-star rating for the past 29 consecutive quarters, a task that is becoming more challenging as the federal agency is working to strengthen its nursing home evaluation program.

Peconic Landing's Health Center rating can be viewed at
<https://health.usnews.com/best-nursing-homes/area/ny/peconic-landing-at-southold-inc-335842>.

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Peconic Landing is an innovative, not-for-profit CCAC-CARF-accredited continuing care retirement community (CCRC) located on the waterfront in Greenport, N.Y., on the North Fork of Long Island. Among its long list of achievements, Peconic Landing is the only equity-based LifeCare community in the state of New York. It is a member of LeadingAge and LeadingAge New York and embraces a healthy, active lifestyle infused with a sense of exploration, creativity, and generosity of spirit.