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## **Heath Village Named Best for Long & Short Term Care**

**Washington Township** -- Heath Village Retirement Community is pleased to announce that it is among the elite 19% of U.S. skilled nursing facilities to earn a “High Performing” rating, the highest possible achievement by ***U.S. News & World Report***.

U.S. News gives the designation of Best Nursing Home only to those homes that satisfy U.S. News’s assessment of the appropriate use of key services and consistent performance in quality measures.

Since their inception in 2009, the U.S. News Best Nursing Home ratings have relied on data from [Nursing Home Compare](#), a program run by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), the federal agency that sets and enforces standards for nursing homes.

To be recognized as one of the 2024 U.S. News Best Nursing Homes, a home must have been “High Performing” in short-term rehabilitation, long-term care or both. Out of the 15,007 nursing homes evaluated by U.S. News, 2,804 (19%) met those criteria. Of those:

- 1,918 homes were High Performing in short-term rehabilitation.
- 1,353 homes were High Performing in long-term care.
- **467 were High Performing in both.**

**Heath Village was one of the only 467 to be rated High Performing in both.**

“I wish to congratulate the entire Heath Village staff on earning this rating. From nursing, to rehabilitation, housekeeping and dining – every single department at our community can take credit for this achievement. Together with the Board of Trustees, I thank every employee for their hard work and the excellent care they provide for long and short-term care residents every single day. You make me so proud to be a part of the Heath Village family,” said CEO & Executive Director Mary Ellen Bove upon learning of the recognition.

The Best Nursing Home finder features ratings on both long-term and short-term care. The Long-Term Care Rating aims to provide prospective residents who need help with daily activities, and their

families, with analysis and information regarding the quality of care provided by nursing homes. The rating includes data on staffing, success in preventing ER visits and pneumonia vaccination rates, among other metrics. The short-term rating incorporates measures of quality including consistency of registered nurse staffing, use of antipsychotic drugs and success in preventing falls.

For more information behind U.S. News ratings please refer to their website:

<https://health.usnews.com/health-news/best-nursing-homes/articles/faq-how-we-rate-nursing-homes>

*Heath Village is a full-service, not-for-profit, retirement community located at 430 Schooley's Mountain Road in Washington Township, Morris County. For further information, please call 908-852-4801 or visit us on our website at [www.heathvillage.com](http://www.heathvillage.com). Like us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/heathvillage](http://www.facebook.com/heathvillage).*

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