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Governor's Panel on Excellence in Long-Term Care Awards Gold Seal to Village on the Green Retirement Community

Orlando, FL, December 19, 2008 – Village on the Green Retirement Community received the Gold Seal Award from The State of Florida, *The Governor's Panel on Excellence in Long-Term Care*. The Gold Seal Award program was implemented in 2002 as a way to recognize Florida nursing homes with exceptionally high standards and quality of care.

Village on the Green met the following criteria to receive the award:

- Meet a quality of care scoring and ranking that places them in the top 10 percent in their region or top 15 percent in the state and be a 5-star facility in the Nursing Home Guide.
- Have no Class I or II deficiencies within 30 months preceding application
- Provide evidence of financial soundness and stability
- Participate in a consumer satisfaction process involving residents, family members and guardians
- Involve families and members of the community in the facility on a regular basis
- Have a stable workforce
- Have an outstanding record with the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Council within the 30 months preceding application
- Provide targeted in-service training to meet training needs identified

"I and the staff are honored to have received our fourth Gold Seal Award. We are committed, as a community and an organization, to excellence and exceeding residents' expectations" Ansley Holt, Executive Director of Village on the Green Retirement Community.

The Gold Seal Award program is developed and implemented by the Governor's Panel on Excellence in Long-Term Care, which is composed of persons appointed by the Governor's Office, AHCA, Department of Health, Department of Elder Affairs, Florida Association of Homes for the Aging, Florida Health Care Association, Florida Life Care Residents Association, and the State Long Term-Care Ombudsman.

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