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GROSS RECEIVES VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD

ALBANY, N.Y. – Alaia Gross of Ontario, NY has received the 2015 Young Adult Volunteer of the Year Award for her volunteer service at The Maplewood Nursing & Rehabilitation in Webster, NY. The award from the New York State Health Facilities Association/New York State Center for Assisted Living (NYSHFA/NYSCAL) was presented on June 30 at the 2015 Volunteer of the Year Awards program during the association's annual convention in Saratoga Springs, NY.

Alaia has volunteered at The Maplewood for the past year, spending more than 400 hours visiting and transporting residents. She also does one-on-one nail art sessions with female residents, and helps to run the facility's resident chorus.

"Alaia's commitment and dedication to our residents is greatly appreciated," said Greg Chambery, administrator of The Maplewood Nursing & Rehabilitation. "Her volunteerism is truly exemplary and deserving of this prestigious award from NYSHFA/NYSCAL."

NYSHFA/NYSCAL's Volunteer of the Year Awards Program recognizes outstanding volunteers serving in skilled nursing facilities. Winners receive an engraved obelisk and were invited to attend the NYSHFA/NYSCAL annual convention.

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The New York State Health Facilities Association/New York State Center for Assisted Living (NYSHFA/NYSCAL) is a member-driven association of providers of long term care services, caring for individuals of all ages in proprietary, not-for-profit, and government-sponsored skilled nursing, post-acute, rehab, adult care and assisted living communities across the state of New York. NYSHFA/NYSCAL is dedicated to assisting its members in achieving excellence in the provision of efficient and effective quality long term care services through leadership, professional development and active involvement in the shaping of public policy.