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Foundation for Quality Care Announces Project Firstline Grant Award

Albany, New York — Jackie Pappalardi, Executive Director, of the Foundation for Quality Care (FQC), a non-profit educational foundation affiliated with the New York State Health Facilities Association & the New York State Center for Assisted Living issued the following announcement today.

“The Foundation for Quality Care is pleased to announce the launch of **Project Firstline NY** a grant funded initiative with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) and the Center for Disease Control (CDC).”

“The FQC, along with its partners in **Project Firstline NY**, will provide New York’s skilled nursing and assisted living frontline healthcare workers needed infection control training. This training will be easily accessible, concise, and engaging with the goal to protect the nation from infectious disease threats.”

“In conjunction with the CDC, Project Firstline NY will deliver the CDC training modules to ensure all workers in healthcare – from physicians to environmental services staff – are empowered with knowledge about the science and reasoning behind today’s infection control practices.”

“The FQC will be conducting a *Learning Needs Assessment* to assist in gathering data that will help target the modalities needed in providing easy and effective infection control training that best suits all long-term care workers in New York State Long Term Care communities. All skilled nursing and assisted living provider organizations will be encouraged to participate in this **Project Firstline NY** program.”

“Please look for future FQC **Project Firstline NY** announcements.”

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