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DANI LAINO RECEIVES ADMINISTRATOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

ALBANY, N.Y. – Dani Laino has received the 2022 NYSCAL Administrator of the Year Award from the New York State Health Facilities Association/New York State Center for Assisted Living (NYSHFA | NYSCAL). The award was presented on May 18th at the 2022 NYSCAL Awards Banquet during the Association’s annual conference in Verona, NY.

Ms. Laino received her award for her service as Executive Director at Somerset Gardens in Plainview, NY. She worked at Somerset Gardens for three years, where she was responsible for all operational aspects of this 160-bed facility. She showed exemplary leadership skills, going above and beyond her administrative role. During the height of the COVID-19 pandemic, there were tough days when Ms. Laino was out on the floor providing care to the residents. She worked seven days a week, making sure her staff had proper resources and support. In January 2021, Somerset Gardens was one of the first communities to receive the COVID-19 vaccine, because Ms. Laino wrote to her local county legislature, relaying how important it was that communities like theirs were not forgotten. Ms. Laino will be starting a new position as Executive Director at Sunrise of East 56th.

“Everything Dani does is for the greater good of the residents, staff and community” said Roger Bernier, President & CEO of Chelsea Senior Living, the parent company of Somerset Gardens. “We are proud that she has been honored with this prestigious award from NYSHFA | NYSCAL.”

The NYSCAL Administrator of the Year Award recognizes an adult care/assisted living administrator who demonstrates outstanding innovation, achievement, and capabilities in their provision of high-quality person-centered care in a service-oriented culture in an adult care/assisted living community.

Winners received an engraved obelisk and were invited to attend the NYSHFA | NYSCAL annual conference.

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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.