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## FRANCINE BURDEN RECEIVES EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION AWARD

ALBANY, N.Y. – Francine Burden, Director of Activities and Housekeeping at Putnam Nursing & Rehabilitation Center in Holmes, NY has received the 2023 Manager 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 10th at the 2023 NYSHFA | NYSCAL Awards Banquet during the Association's annual conference in Verona, NY.

Francine Burden has worked at Putnam Nursing & Rehabilitation Center for 55 years. She began as a CNA and now manages two departments, both Activities and Housekeeping. Her commitment to quality, and personal and professional integrity serves as a role model for others. She never misses a major holiday at the facility. She spearheads all family parties and helps residents and families with any personal requests. Francine is also deeply involved in their local community as a volunteer and represents the facility for all charity and fundraising events.

"Francine enjoys engaging with family members and volunteers and always works hard to make every resident feel at home," said Deena Kaye, administrator of Putnam Nursing & Rehabilitation Center. "We are proud that she has been honored with this prestigious award from NYSHFA | NYSCAL."

The Employee Recognition Awards honor individuals for their outstanding contributions to skilled nursing facilities. They are awarded in the categories of Registered Nurse of the Year, Licensed Practical Nurse of the Year, Certified Nursing Assistant of the Year; Manager of the Year and Heart and Hands Award. Winners receive an engraved trophy 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.