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## KELLIE BURRIDGE RECEIVES EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION AWARD

ALBANY, N.Y. – Kellie Burridge, Director of Nursing at Brookhaven Health Care Facility in East Patchogue, NY has received the 2023 Registered Nurse 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.

Kellie Burridge has been with Brookhaven Health Care Facility since 1988. She started as a CNA and continued her education to earn her LPN and RN degrees. Kellie has worked in almost all nursing positions in the facility and is currently Director of Nursing. She is a dedicated nurse with a broad scope of knowledge that encompasses both managerial and clinical aspects. She is compassionate about the care provided to residents and educates and supports staff to ensure they have the tools necessary to deliver excellent care.

"Kellie possesses all the qualities of a terrific nurse. She is instrumental in helping maintain a cohesive environment to benefit patients, families and staff," said Alexandra Lamothe, administrator of Brookhaven Health Care Facility. "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.