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### **Parsons Presbyterian Manor gets zero-deficiencies for health care focused infection control survey**

PARSONS, Kan. — Parsons Presbyterian Manor earned a zero-deficiency survey rating for a focused infection control survey conducted on behalf of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) in June.

CMS announced in March that priority would be given to focused infection control surveys and annual surveys would be delayed in an effort to ensure nursing homes were prepared to respond to the threat of disease caused by the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19). All nursing homes will receive a focused infection control survey by July 31, 2020.

Zero deficiencies means Parsons Presbyterian Manor met all the standards for infection control in the community's health care neighborhood.

"Every day I see our employees go above and beyond in the care they provide," said Maegen Pegeus, executive director. "These survey results are tangible proof of our employees' commitment to providing quality senior care and services based on Christian values."

Senior living communities are surveyed annually by their licensing agency for compliance of regulations established by the Kansas Department of Aging and Disability Services (KDADS) and CMS. These regulations are designed to ensure a standard of care is met. By meeting this standard, senior living communities are able to renew their licenses and continue to provide care.

The focused infection control surveys hone in on a nursing facility's adherence to Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and CMS guidance for infection control practices to prevent disease at the community. Communities are assessed on staff and resident education on hand hygiene and coughing/sneezing etiquette, cleaning, screening of employees and residents, effective transmission-based precautions, proper use/discarding of personal protective equipment and signage at entrances and resident rooms. It also examines the facility's policies and emergency preparedness related to a pandemic or outbreak.

Parsons Presbyterian Manor is a continuing care retirement community (CCRC), or life plan community, offering independent living, assisted living, long-term health care and short-term rehabilitation.

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