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Atlanta-Area Care Setting Becomes First in Georgia to Earn National "Excellence in Care" Distinction from Alzheimer's Foundation of America

Peachtree Christian Health is Georgia's Only Care Setting to Hold National
Distinction

(January 24, 2025)— The Alzheimer's Foundation of America (AFA) has named Peachtree Christian Health in Duluth, GA, a national "Excellence in Care (EIC) Dementia Care Program of Distinction." Peachtree Christian Health is the only care setting in Georgia to hold this national distinction, which is earned after successfully undergoing an extensive evaluation of staff, procedures, and environment, ensuring best practices in dementia care.

"Peachtree Christian Health is one of the only care settings in the country to meet the national standard of excellence in dementia care set forth in the EIC program," said Charles J. Fuschillo, Jr., AFA's President and Chief Executive Officer. "Their commitment to high quality, personcentered dementia care, and promoting and protecting the health, safety, and well-being of

individuals living with dementia is impressive. Congratulations to Peachtree Christian Health on attaining this national level of excellence."

Stephanie Gloeckner, Center Director-RN of Peachtree Christian Health, said, "Our dedicated Board of Directors, staff, and volunteers are honored to achieve this national distinction. We value our partnership with AFA and look forward to expanding our program while maintaining the EIC standards for those living with dementia and their loved ones."

To earn this distinction, EIC sites must meet certain standards set forth by AFA focusing on the following three areas: facilitating meaningful living, promoting safety and security in the environment, and overall health and wellness of the care community being serviced. Assisted living residences, skilled nursing facilities, continuing care residential communities, adult day programs, group homes, and senior centers that provide care to individuals living with dementia are eligible to participate in AFA's Excellence in Care Dementia Care Program of Distinction.

Peachtree Christian Health is a nonprofit organization dedicated to serving caregivers and their loved ones, enabling families to remain together in their homes for as long as possible. Through their Adult Day Care Center, they offer a fulfilling and engaging experience in a group environment, with personalized attention provided to each individual living with dementia. Activities are adjusted to accommodate simple instructions or a single step, while still catering to cognitive, social, physical, and spiritual interests. Various creative techniques are used to promote interaction and connection between participants throughout the day.

For more information on AFA's Excellence in Care program, along with information about Alzheimer's disease and caregiving support, visit www.alzfdn.org or call AFA's Helpline at 866-232-8484. The Helpline is available 7 days a week by phone (866-232-8484), text message (646-586-5283), and webchat (www.alzfdn.org).

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About Alzheimer's Foundation of America (AFA)

The Alzheimer's Foundation of America (AFA) is a non-profit organization whose mission is to provide support, services and education to individuals, families and caregivers affected by Alzheimer's disease and related dementias nationwide and to fund research for better treatment and a cure. Its services include a National Toll-Free Helpline (866-232-8484) staffed entirely by licensed social workers, caregiver support groups, educational programs and publications for caregivers, dementia-care training for healthcare professionals, the National Memory Screening Program, and more. For more information about AFA, call 866-232-8484, visit www.alzfdn.org, or connect with us on Facebook, X (Twitter), Instagram, or LinkedIn. AFA holds Charity Navigator's top 4-star rating.