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### Arkansas City Presbyterian Manor scores zero deficiencies on infection control survey

ARKANSAS CITY, Kan. — Arkansas City Presbyterian Manor earned a zero-deficiency survey for a focused infection control survey in the health care center in November. The survey was conducted by the Kansas Department of Aging and Disability Services (KDADS) on behalf of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

Senior living communities are surveyed annually by their licensing agency for compliance of regulations established by CMS. CMS licenses skilled nursing facilities. These regulations are designed to ensure a standard of care is met. By meeting these standards, senior living communities are able to renew their licenses and continue to provide care.

The focused infection control surveys hone in on a skilled nursing facility's adherence 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.

CMS routinely sends surveyors to skilled nursing centers during an outbreak to assess the facility's infection control practices. Arkansas City received the results of their latest infection control survey November 25.

"The past six weeks have been difficult, but this team has worked really hard to adhere to the infection control protocols we have in place," said Sarah Griggs, executive director. "This survey is proof that our community is adhering to the gold standard in infection control protocols."

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

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Arkansas City Presbyterian Manor has served Cowley County since 1978 with independent and assisted living, long-term care, and short-term rehabilitation. Learn more at [ArkansasCityPresbyterianManor.org](http://ArkansasCityPresbyterianManor.org). Presbyterian Manors of Mid-America is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization with 16 locations and 2 hospices in Kansas and Missouri. Learn more at [PMMA.org](http://PMMA.org).