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## **Ramapo Ridge Psychiatric Hospital at Christian Health Care Center Recognized as Top Performer on Key Quality Measures by The Joint Commission**

Ramapo Ridge Psychiatric Hospital (RRPH) at Christian Health Care Center (CHCC) in Wyckoff was recently recognized by The Joint Commission as a Top Performer on Key Quality Measures in Inpatient Psychiatric Hospitalization for 2012. RRPH was recognized for exemplary performance in using evidence-based clinical processes that are shown to improve care for inpatient psychiatric services. This coveted distinction is awarded on a limited basis across the United States to only those hospitals achieving the highest level of outcomes with defined quality measures and related processes. In New Jersey, CHCC is one of only 26 recipient organizations of this recognition.

RRPH was recognized with this distinction because of its high level of cumulative performance with The Joint Commission's reported accountability measures and core measures. Moreover, the ability to have nearly no use of physical restraints or seclusion, along with strong results from hand-off communications about patients with subsequent providers, single use of antipsychotic medications, and comprehensive admissions

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assessment process, were among those areas where those results earned the hospital this esteemed recognition.

“We understand that what matters most to patients at Ramapo Ridge is safe, effective care,” said Cathy Pilone, RN, MSN, NEA-BC, Vice President/Administrator, Mental Health Services. “That’s why Ramapo Ridge has made a commitment to accreditation and the positive patient outcomes through evidence-based care processes. Ramapo Ridge is proud to receive the distinction of being a Joint Commission Top Performer on Key Quality Measures.”

“I am so proud of our physicians and staff in Ramapo Ridge, along with many supporting departments, for their dedication to excellence and fostering health, healing, and wellness for our patients,” said Douglas A. Struyk, CPA, LNHA, CHCC President and CEO.

RRPH is a 58-bed hospital offering inpatient care for adult and geriatric patients. An individual recovery plan is prepared for each patient by an interdisciplinary team. Treatment includes medication, individual and group psychotherapy, education, therapeutic activities, family support, and pastoral care.

CHCC provides a broad continuum of high-quality, compassionate care, offering superior mental-health, elder-care, residential living, and rehabilitation services. As a non-profit organization, we deliver care to our community based upon the Christian principles on which we were founded more than a century ago.

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