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## Northwood Achieves Highest Level of Accreditation



**HALIFAX, N.S. / March 12, 2019** – Northwood has been reviewed by Accreditation Canada and has achieved Accreditation with Exemplary Standing. This is the highest possible award and two levels above standard Accreditation.

“I’m so proud of everyone here at Northwood for this achievement,” says Janet Simm, President & CEO of Northwood. “Our staff work hard every day to provide safe, effective and high quality care to our clients. Our accreditation standing is a true testament to how much we make quality and safety a priority.”

An Accreditation Canada certificate shows that an organization cares about client safety and providing quality service. The process of accreditation helps identify where an organization is doing well and where there is room for improvement. It is one of the most effective ways for an organization to review their procedures and practices in order to improve their quality of care.

“We participate in accreditation because quality and safety is important to us and to our residents, clients and their families,” says Kathryn Graves, Quality Specialist at Northwood.

Accreditation Canada is a not-for-profit, independent organization providing national and international health care organizations with a program to evaluate their performance against standards of excellence. These standards examine all aspects of health care – from client safety and ethics to staff training and partnering with the community.

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### About Northwood

Since 1962, we have led the way as Nova Scotia’s most dynamic continuing care organization committed to innovation and change. We are the largest not-for-profit continuing care organization in Atlantic Canada and are recognized both here at home and across Canada as an extraordinary example of the power of social justice, but we like to call it the power of love!

When life changes, and society changes, Northwood leads the way, incorporating revolutionary designed, responsive care. From new ideas to new technologies, we are empowered to do this, because our focus is on people, not on profit margins.

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