

## Jacksonville's River Garden nursing home again recognized for excellence in longterm care

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On Tuesday, River Garden Hebrew Home/Wolfson Health & Aging Center will receive a state honor for the sixth time.

The Governor's Gold Seal Award for Excellence in Long-Term Care will be presented to center staff by Jim Crochet, Florida Long-Term Care Ombudsman, according to a news release.

River Garden is the only free-standing nursing home in the state to achieve the award six consecutive terms. The Florida Agency for Health Care Administration recognized 18 Florida nursing homes for receiving the Gold Seal Award.

Created in 2002, the Gold Seal Program recognizes nursing homes that "demonstrate excellence in long-term care over a sustained period, promotes the stability of the industry and facilitates the physical, social, and emotional well-being of nursing home facility residents," according to the release.

The River Garden campus includes the River Garden Hebrew Home for the Aged, a 180-bed skilled nursing facility; The Coves, an 80-unit independent senior living facility; River Garden Home Health Care, a Florida licensed home health agency; Adult Day Care, open seven days a week; and The Therapy Center, providing out-patient physical, occupational and speech therapies.

The campus is located at 11401 Old St. Augustine Road. For more information, go to rivergarden.org.