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VNA Health Care Ranks in Top 10% of Health Centers in the Nation for Best Overall Clinical Performance.

Once again, VNA Health Care (VNA) has been recognized by The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) as a National Quality Leader for outstanding clinical outcomes achieved in 2018.

Mr. Douglas O'Brien, Regional Director for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and Ms. Anne Huang, MS, RN Regional Nurse Consultant, Office of Regional Operations, Region 5, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services presented VNA Health Care with a National Quality Leader Gold Award in recognition of the outstanding clinical care delivered to over 72,000 patients throughout suburban Chicago. The Gold Award recognizes the accomplishment of VNA Health Care in ranking in the top 10% of all Health Centers nationwide for overall clinical performance.

"The dedication and excellence in service that VNA provides to their patients and the communities they serve is commendable, and exemplifies the pure essence of HRSA's mission in providing access to quality health care services, we are honored to celebrate their success." said Anne Huang.

These awards support HRSA's strategic goal to improve access to quality health care and services, and supports the U.S. Department of Health and Human Service's goal of promoting a value-based payment system by improving the quality, breadth of services, modernization, efficiency, and overall value of primary health care delivered by health centers.

"We are thrilled to receive this prestigious gold award in recognition of VNA's commitment to clinical excellence and we are so grateful to our funders, including HRSA, an agency of HHS and we are so thankful for their essential support. It is an honor and a privilege to work with our patients to improve and maintain their health and this would not be possible without the outstanding dedication of our providers and professional team." said Linnea Windel, VNA's President and CEO. "This award underscores our shared commitment to the delivery of accessible, efficient and compassionate health care services for all."

VNA Health Care is the largest Federally Qualified Health Center in suburban Chicago and operates 14 clinics serving over 72,000 people a year. VNA is nationally ranked as a top performing health center as a result of patient outcomes such as prenatal care, adolescent weight screening and counseling, vascular disease treatment, blood pressure control, healthy birth weights, and asthma care. VNA's combination of convenience (by appointment or walk-in), patient-centered technology and expert, cost-effective care delivered with respect and compassion have led to these results. VNA is accredited by The Joint Commission and certified as a Primary Care Medical Home for all sites. # # #