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Ohio Veterans Home Again Gets High Marks in VA Inspection

For the third consecutive year the Ohio Veterans Home - Georgetown has achieved an excellent score on its annual VA inspection.

“We are happy to say that there were no exceptions,” said Linda Smith, Director of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center (VAMC) in Cincinnati.

Inspectors from the Cincinnati VAMC and Ascellon Corporation of Landover, Maryland, which conducts the surveys for the VA, spent three days at the facility in early December examining 158 medical and other patient care standards to which state veterans homes must comply.

OVH-G Administrator Drew Vogel said Ascellon was “very thorough and professional.”

“They were eager to assure our Veterans receive the best possible care,” he said.

Vogel saluted what he called a “very dedicated, hardworking staff” at OVH-G. “To have one inspection without an exception is wonderful,” he said. “To have three in a row is extraordinary. We’re very proud.”

The VA recognition closely follows Georgetown’s annual inspection in October 2010 by the Ohio Department of Health, in which it received a rating of excellent.

The Ohio Veterans Home - Georgetown is a 168-bed state-operated nursing home for eligible Ohio Veterans. To qualify for admission, Veterans must have served during a declared war or military conflict, must have been honorably discharged from the U.S. military and have been Ohio residents for at least one year during his or her lifetime. The Veteran must be infirm or disabled and incapable of earning a living.

Two levels of care are offered: Standard Care for those Veterans in need of any intermediate level of care and Special Care for Veterans with Alzheimer’s disease and other types of dementia.

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