

AHCA/NCAL SILVER QUALITY AWARD

CONTINUING YOUR QUALITY JOURNEY

Presented by the Health Care Association of New Jersey and hosted by the Health Care Association of Michigan & Michigan Center for Assisted Living, in partnership with other AHCA/NCAL state affiliates



Program to be held via Zoom ❖ August 7, 13, 20, & 27, 2026 ❖ 2 - 5 p.m.

WORKSHOP DESCRIPTION

The Health Care Association of New Jersey, with hosting by HCAM/MCAL, and in partnership with several AHCA/NCAL state affiliates, presents a Silver Quality Award virtual workshop series to help you better understand the Silver Award application criteria, scoring, and strategies for a successful 2027 application submission.

ABOUT THE AWARD

Recipients of the Bronze Quality Award have three years from the year they received the Bronze award to apply for Silver.

This workshop is about more than an award. Besides gaining a better understanding of what examiners are looking for and how to use the award criteria as an improvement tool, you will learn how to use the award process to focus, align, and accelerate your performance excellence efforts, thus developing into a high-performing organization.

SUGGESTED PARTICIPANTS

Suggested participants for this workshop are administrators or executive directors and directors of nursing, along with other leadership team members - including owners. A team approach is the most effective method to develop your application in a manner that makes it your "management document" and not just an award application.

CONTACT HOURS

NHA: This program has been submitted (but not yet approved) for Continuing Education for 12 total participant hours from NAB/NCERS. Contact marygettel@hcam.org for further information.

AFC & CALD: This continuing education activity is appropriate for adult foster care providers and certified assisted living directors for a recommended maximum of 12 clock hours of professional development.

LEARNER OBJECTIVES

1. Gain an understanding of the value of moving from Bronze recognition to Silver.
2. Go behind the scenes of the assessment process to understand what examiners are looking for and why that is important - beyond an award application.
3. Understand the details of the Baldrige process and results categories.
4. Identify your organization's strengths and opportunities for improvement as you practice writing responses with the assistance of experienced examiners.



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Registration will close Tuesday, July 28.



FACULTY

Our speaker this year is Cathy Bergland. Cathy is the lead consultant for CB Leadership Group, an organization focused on Leadership Development, Intercultural Competence, and Performance Excellence. Cathy has more than 35 years of experience in older adult services, serving at Presbyterian Homes & Services in various facility- and corporate-based functions. She also has 15 years of experience with the Performance Excellence Criteria with both the state of Minnesota and AHCA/NCAL, where she is a Board member, Judge, Trainer, and Examiner.

VIRTUAL EVENT

This workshop will be held virtually on Zoom over a series of sessions on August 7, 13, 20, & 27. Participation in all sessions is required. Sessions will be held from 2 - 5 p.m. Participants will be required to participate with video and audio.

BEFORE THE WORKSHOP

- Review your Bronze application and have a copy with you.
- Review the eligibility requirements in the 2027 Silver Criteria and Application document to ensure you are eligible to apply.
- Have a copy of the 2027 Silver Achievement in Quality Award Application & Criteria.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Registration is limited to AHCA/NCAL members.
- Registration is non-refundable, however substitutions are allowed up to 48 hours before the program.
- Registration fee of \$350 for a facility includes two (2) participants. If you would like to request additional participants, please contact michelle@hcanj.org.
- Participation in this workshop does NOT guarantee award/renewal receipt by AHCA/NCAL.

TESTIMONIAL

"The facility Administrator and I attended the educational session in preparation to create the 2020 Silver Award Application for Metron of Forest Hills. We found the session extremely helpful in explaining the application process and requirements, developing facility-specific answers, and aide in creating an initial draft of the application. The instructors were personable and welcoming to all who participated. I highly recommend attending the offered educational sessions prior to attempting any of the three AHCA/NCAL award applications." - Kelly Dines

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